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CHURCHILL OPENS BUDGET DEBATE

One hundred feared to be dead in Brazil train crash

Government tells troops to unload tied-up vessels

London, April 24.
The Labour Government today ordered troops to unload ships tied up in London port by a wildcat dockers' strike denounced by cabinet ministers as Communist-inspired.

The government decision to use soldiers and sailors to keep food and other goods moving was made after the walkout threatened to halt all operations in the sprawling dockyards.

Almost 1,000 soldiers and sailors, stationed in the dockyards since yesterday, were ordered to go to work on 60 ships immobilised by the strike over an intrusion dispute.

More than 4,500 dockers joined the strikers over the week-end, bringing the number idle to 12,469. The total working force in the London docks is 27,000, but only between 15,000 to 20,000 are employed on any given day.

There was no indication that the mushrooming strike would end soon.—Associated Press.

U.S. Govt may help to get food to famine regions

Washington, April 24.
United States officials said today the government may help private relief agencies to get American food for famine areas of Communist China where 2,000,000 to 4,000,000 face death by starvation.

Government assistance, they said, would hinge on the ability of the agencies to show two things:

1. If they can get Communist permission for relief activities.
2. If they can raise enough money in the United States to finance purchases.

Six agencies currently are making a joint study to see what can be done. They are Care, Church World Service, Foster Parents Plan for War Children, the Men-United Service to China and the Catholic War Relief Services.

Mr. Dean Acheson, said on April 5 the United States was considering suggestions that it send relief to the starving in Communist-held China. No decision had been announced but members of Congress understood there was practically no chance of any United States government relief operation.

The Department is co-operating closely with the six private relief agencies and turned over to them information obtained in its own study of China's famine conditions.

Govt. may help

An official closely connected with the project said: "If these private organizations can come up with a humanitarian workable programme but find that they are encountering bottlenecks then the government might help them."

He indicated the assistance might take the form of helping them obtain surplus food held by the Agriculture Department, and cheap shipping to carry it abroad.—United Press.

YESTERDAY'S RAINFALL

The Colony had 1.26 inches of rainfall in the 24 hours which ended at one o'clock this morning, according to the Royal Observatory.

The total rainfall from the beginning of the year—10.08 inches—is just below the average figure for that period, 10.16 inches.

THE WEATHER

At 0600 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) a well developed trough stretches NWwards from central Indo-China across the China Sea and the Ryukyu to a shallow depression off the B coast of Kyushu and then Eastwards in a series of depressions across the Pacific. To the N. of this trough a belt of high pressure extends from N. China to Hokkaido.

Today's Forecast—Light or moderate NE winds, overcast with occasional light rain or drizzle at first, improving during morning with cloud breaking during afternoon.

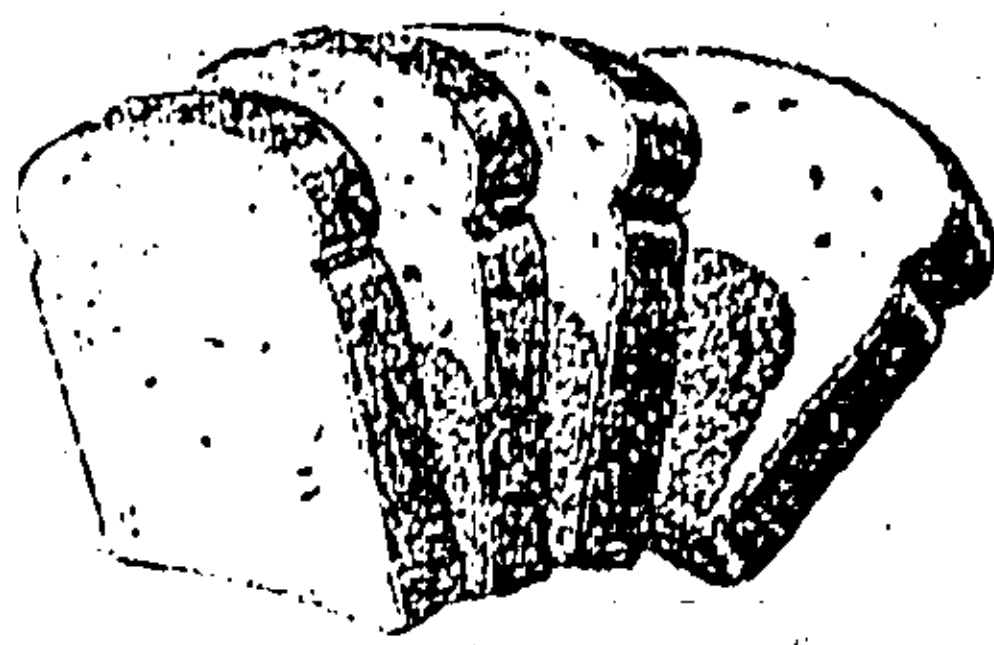
Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 71.3 deg. F., Minimum 67.5 deg. F., Sunshine 101 min.

Rainfall: 31.0 mm.—1.26 in. Total since Jan. 1—326.9 mm.—12.87 in. as against an average of 289.0 mm.—11.38 in.

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Ex-Canton police official gaoled

A one-time Canton military police official who found his wife and a friend becoming too friendly with one another was aroused to such a degree that he inflicted 42 chopper wounds on the friend one evening.

At the Criminal Sessions yesterday, on all-mien jury, in returning a verdict of guilty on 32-year-old Chan Chai-man, recommended leniency on grounds of extreme provocation. He was given three years.

The Senior Puisne Judge Mr. Justice Gault, then told the prisoner that he did not know whether or not the law in China permitted one to take the law into one's own hands, but that in Hong Kong, this was forbidden. However, he was taking into account in passing sentence the recommendation of mercy by the jury in that the accused had acted under extreme provocation.

The jury, who retired for about 15 minutes, unanimously found

the accused guilty of wounding Fung Shu-keung with intent to cause grievous bodily harm on January 31.

Chopper attack

Chan was not legally represented. Mr. A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Sub-inspector A. Leale, prosecuted.

Mr. Lonsdale told the jury that the complainant was known to the accused some years before the incident. A friendship, in the meantime, grew up between his wife and the complainant.

On the evening in question the accused and the complainant met in a lounge, where they had a talk. Chan then suggested to the complainant, who had not been long in Hong Kong—that he could get him a job.

Chan went on to suggest that they go along to a friend's place, which they eventually did. It was during this talk, that the accused first mentioned that he knew of the relationship between his wife and the complainant.

When the two reached the house of the friend Chan had referred to, it was found that the man was not in. After waiting some time in the house, the complainant said he was leaving, but was persuaded to remain a little longer.

Chan thereupon went into the kitchen and presently returned carrying a parcel under his arm. The two then agreed to leave.

According to the prosecution, when they had walked a little distance, Chan offered a cigarette to Fung. At this stage, he opened the parcel, took a chopper from within and struck the complainant with it.

The latter tried to run away, but was overtaken.

Fung was later found unconscious on the spot with 42 wounds on his body. The wounds, however, were not large, and did not indicate that considerable force had been used in inflicting them.

The accused was arrested six days later, he took the police to a place where he handed them a chopper. This chopper on inspection was found to have a loose handle, the metal binding of which was roughened.

Accused's story

The hands of the accused were found to have some slight cuts and abrasions. Medical evidence showed that it was possible for these marks to have been caused by the rubbing of the chopper handle against the accused's hands.

After evidence was given by the complainant and other prosecution witnesses, the accused took the witness stand on his own behalf.

Chan denied the suggestion that he had come from Canton to seek out the complainant because of the affair between his wife and the complainant.

Accused told the court he was a former inspector of the Canton military police. The reason for his coming to the Colony was because of the arrival of the Communists in Canton, and he was thus looking for a job.

As to the subject of the attack, Chan admitted he had the chopper wrapped in the parcel, but that was as a self-defence precaution.

When he met Fung, he mentioned to him the affair concerning the course of conversation, at which the complainant became angry.

Chan further alleged that Fung drew another chopper, concealed on his person, and attacked him first. A struggle developed, with the result that Fung was wounded after both of them had rolled on the ground trying to wrest the choppers from each other's hands.

Accused admitted he admitted that while he was in Canton with his wife, he had discovered a photo of the complainant among his wife's possessions.

At the trial's conclusion, the chopper in question was ordered to be returned to its rightful owner.

New arrivals from S'hai say nothing

Three Europeans who made the overland trip from Shanghai to Tientsin and thence to Hong Kong by the ss. Choy Sang arrived here yesterday—tired, but declining to say anything about the Shanghai situation.

To quote one of them, who disembarked at Buoy B-2 yesterday: "We do not wish to say anything. We might jeopardise the position of those remaining behind unable to leave."

The arrivals were Messrs. N. P. Nazer, A. H. Harvey and J. P. Simoes.

Approached by the "China Mail" Mr. Harvey declined to discuss his railway journey from Shanghai to Tientsin. Asked whether he is in the Colony on leave, he replied: "Don't you worry."

The Choy Sang brought more than 1,000 tons of North China cargo.

Court Brevities

A 500-yard chase in the apprehension of a snatcher earned Hui Hing-chung, a member of the Kowloon Fire Brigade, a commendation from Mr. E. X. d'Almeida at Kowloon yesterday when the Magistrate sentenced Lam Kam-plu, aged 19, to six months' hard labour, six strokes and a recommendation for banishment for snatching.

Inspector W. Jones said that on Saturday evening Miss Yau Park was walking along Tai Po Road when defendant came from behind and snatched her \$100 watch from her wrist.

Fireman Hui, who was off duty at the time, heard complainant's alarm and chased after defendant to the staircase of 16 Fuk Wing Street, a distance of 500 yards, where Lam was arrested.

Committal proceedings against Lou Ah-chap, unemployed, began before Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday for the possession of three forged \$5 Hong Kong banknotes and for uttering one of them.

Defendant was alleged to have attempted on April 1 to pass one of the notes to a woman cigarette hawk who recognised him as the man who had on two previous occasions, given her two forged \$10 banknotes on purchases.

Hearing continues tomorrow.

For the keeping of an unlicensed gaming establishment on the first floor of 371 Nathan Road, Chan Kau-chun, 27-year-old woman, was fined \$250 by Mr. E. X. d'Almeida at Kowloon yesterday.

Inspector G. N. Davitt, who conducted the raid on the establishment on Sunday morning, giving evidence, said that he considered the premises were being used for an immoral purpose.

GOOD NEWS FOR OUR PATRONS COMMENCING TO-NIGHT

AT THE



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Dr. and Mrs. William Basil Thompson after their wedding at the Marriage Registrar's Office yesterday. The bride is the former Miss Edith Kathleen Pollock. ("China Mail" photo).

Weddings West Bengal issue causes anxiety

Miss Edith Kathleen Pollock became the bride of Dr. William Basil Thompson, at the Supreme Court Marriage Registrar's Office yesterday.

The bride is the daughter of Squadron Leader and Mrs. E. Pollock of Bedford House, Stoke Park, Coventry. The bridegroom's parents are Mr. Thompson and the late Mrs. Thompson of Washington, D.C., U.S.A.

The bride wore an afternoon dress of dusky pink silk with grey and black floral design, by Josephine C., with black accessories.

Miss Peggy Fleming was matron of honour. She wore an afternoon dress of turquoise blue crepe.

The bestman was Mr. W. H. Hume.

The reception was held at the Balcyny Peninsula Hotel.

The honeymoon is to be spent at Bangkok. The bride's going-away dress was a Navy two-piece with white accessories.

Miss Theresa Marie Rosario, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Rosario, became the bride of Mr. Frederick Wandana, 31, of the R. R. Brigantini.

The bride was given away by her father, and her sister, Mrs. F. J. Colaco, was the Matron of Honour. Miss Virginia Ribeiro was the flower girl.

Messrs. F. J. Colaco and J. Ligeim were the bridegroom's bestmen.

Barber fined

A Chinese barber residing at 20 Prince Edward Road was fined \$100 by Mr. J. Reynolds at Central yesterday when he pleaded guilty to a charge of illegally importing gold.

Defendant, Wong Ah-choi, was arrested on April 22 outside Jardine's Wharf by a district watchman.

The gold, consisting of 14 bars valued at HK\$15,600, was ordered to be confiscated by the Magistrate.

According to the prosecution, defendant was seen leaving the Jardine Wharf carrying a canvas bag. A district watchman searched him.

The watchman found the frame of the bag to be hollow and discovered 15 gold bars inside.

Three months ago defendant was arrested for a similar offence.

TEEN-AGERS WOUNDED

Two Chinese teen-agers were wounded when an Indian fired two shots with his shotgun in front of his home at 32 Lai Chi Kok Road, Mongkok, last night.

In a scuffle to a quarrel between the Indian and a Chinese woman, the Indian lost his temper and fired the shots in an attempt to disperse a crowd of spectators who were watching the verbal fight.

The wounded were immediately rushed to the Kowloon Hospital.

Police were investigating the case last night.

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THE PENINSULA HOTEL—8 P.M. TO 2 A.M.
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BALL ROOM, 1ST FLOOR, H.K.

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Governor visits schools in N.T.

The Governor, accompanied by the Director of Education, and Mr. I. S. Wan, Senior Inspector of Vernacular Schools, began a programme of visits yesterday to certain schools in the Colony by making an inspection of four schools in the New Territories.

These consisted of two Government schools, one subsidised school and a private school.

At the Ming Yung School, Kam Tin Village, the Governor was greeted by Mr. Tang Pak-kai and the headmaster and staff. This is a typical village school, which owes its existence to the generosity of Mr. Tang and also to the Kam Tin Village Fund.

It was opened in 1930 with one teacher and 20 pupils. It has now a headmaster, six teachers and 211 children, including 57 girls.

At the entrance to the school grounds a Guard of Honor of Boy Scouts, of whom there are 30 in the school, was drawn up and inspected by the Governor, who expressed his pleasure and interest in the school by offering a donation to the school library, which was promptly reinforced by others from Mr. Tang and the director.

The next school visited was the new Yau Long Public Middle School, which has been erected jointly by the Elders and pupils of Yau Long and Government at a cost of \$200,000.

The school consists of Junior Middle classes, laboratory, library, staff-room, and what is probably the biggest hall in the New Territories. The Governor spoke with pupils of the school and observed the physical training class, remarking on the excellent physique and the neat appearance of the pupils.

Owner's generosity.

At Ping Shan an entirely unannounced visit was paid to the P. U. Private Middle School which caters for Senior Middle class, having an attendance of about 130. The school is entirely financed by the owner of the property who also supports the primary school of the same premises. Considerable additions, including lunch-room, kitchen, tuck shop were in process of construction.

Finally, the Governor spent half an hour at the Rural Training College inspecting the work of the students, dormitories, garden, vegetable plots and was particularly interested in the animal husbandry and students co-operative society.

It was learned that this co-operative idea is being put into practice by past students in the villages in which they were now teaching.

The Governor will shortly visit urban schools and these will probably include Kennedy Road Government School, the Technical College, Sacred Heart School and Ruyden House.

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Personalia

Messrs. R. Erikson, A. Hazeltorn, M. Khat, Dang Tong and Tan Loo were among the departures for Saigon yesterday by Air France.

Mr. A. Jacques arrived here from Saigon by Air France on Sunday.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel during the week-end included Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Enay, Mr. F. De Lils B. Roddy, Messrs. E. R. Barker, D. Brown, E. Preston, P. Salimnaga, T. Oishi, G. A. Rodriguez, J. Baum and T. M. Paul.

Among the new week-end arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel were Miss M. O. Kennedy, J. E. Ziak, M. Richards, Dr. H. Morgado, Messrs. B. A. Clark, B. L. Lapin, E. K. McLeishan, C. H. Tucker, C. A. Filington and H. P. Brown.

Messrs. Li Chun, Cheng Chung-cheng and Wang Chin-long were among the arrivals here from Bangkok by CPA on Saturday.

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QUOTA SYSTEM FOR HK-MACAO TRAFFIC

Reminders

Today

HK Rotary Club luncheon, talk on "Some activities of the International Committee of the Red Cross" by Mr. F. B. Bieri, Root Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Nine Dragons Services Club, Billy Ting's boxing lessons, 8 p.m.; Whist Drive with cash prizes, 8 p.m.; European YMCA, Bridge Drive, 8 p.m.

Victoria Revels present a "Musical Revue" in aid of HK Anti-TB Fund, at China Fleet Club theatre, 8 p.m.

Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild meeting, 10.15 a.m.

HK Football Association referees monthly meeting, 8.30 p.m.

HK Light Orchestra rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral hall, 6.45 p.m.

Cheero Services Club, informal dance, 7.30 p.m.

Urban Council meeting, GPO Bldg., 4.15 p.m.

Coming events

TOMORROW

HK Art Club, monthly exhibition, St. John's Cathedral hall, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (admission free).

Nine Dragons Services Club, Mah-jong, 2.30 p.m.; dancing class, 6 p.m.; Film Show, 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

HK International Women's Club, informal dance for Services, 7.30 p.m.

HK Art Club, monthly exhibition, St. John's Cathedral, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (admission free).

European YMCA, Guest Night, 7.30 p.m.

Nine Dragons Services Club, HK Band Call, 8 p.m.

Kowloon Rotary Club, luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Y'a Men's Club, luncheon meeting, Root Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

Construction company meeting

The Hong Kong Engineering and Construction Company, Limited, will hold its annual meeting on May 10 at its registered offices in St. George's Building.

Details of the accounts for the year ended December 31 last showed that a profit of HK\$418,492.40 was made to which has been added HK\$217,163.81 brought forward from the previous year.

The Directors have proposed to deal with the total as follows: To write off war losses \$120,000.00 To transfer to plant & machinery replacement reserve \$400,000.00 To carry forward to 1950 \$115,500.22

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No provision has been made for Corporation Profits Tax (1950/51) payable on the profits for the year under review.

Owner of schooner leaves for Red port



Mr. Gordon Ross, owner of the schooner Volador, who left yesterday for Bangkok, is leaving here. (China Mail)

Mr. Gordon Ross, former U.S. Navy Lieutenant-Commander, and owner of the schooner Volador, left Hong Kong yesterday for the Communist-held port of Port Bayard by Moller tug.

Mr. Ross, with his 11-man crew and 11-year-old son, who he is leaving behind, was held prisoner at the Communist port for two months when the Volador inadvertently put in to the Luchow port on February 13 after being chased by an aircraft from Hong Kong. They were en route from Manila.

A quota system restricting Chinese passenger traffic between Hong Kong and Macao will be enforced as from tomorrow morning, it was officially announced yesterday.

At a meeting between representatives of the six local shipping firms, operating the fleet of 10 river steamers on this run, and the immigration authorities yesterday, it was declared that only the same number of people taken out from the Colony will be permitted to return into Hong Kong.

The quota will be based on the weekly returns of passengers carried out. Besides registering the names of the Chinese travellers, there will be no other restrictions at present.

This will only be an experiment, it was reported. Other ways and means of controlling the influx of Chinese from abroad via the Portuguese colony will be studied in the meantime.

Each ship will be allowed to bring back from Macao the same quota of passengers she has carried out of the Colony during the preceding week. The first week will begin from April 6 morning to May 2 night.

Meanwhile, local shipping organizations with interests in the Hong Kong-Macao passenger business are working a mutual system of controlling the flow of people out of and into Hong Kong.

New rates of fares are being considered. Some firms are contemplating issuing return tickets. Generally, it is understood, the prices for passage back from Macao will be increased. The Hong Kong-Macao trip fare will most probably remain the same.

Surplus issue

At the conference at the New Oriental Building yesterday, certain problems which the representatives believed would inevitably arise under the new regulations were discussed.

The representatives were advised to send in their views by letter, which will be considered by the authorities.

Mr. Y. J. Lee, Shipping Manager of the Ming Sung Industrial Company—largest Chinese shipping firm in Hong Kong, operating the fleet of aluminium river vessels—told newspapermen yesterday that the issue of carrying over a surplus number of passengers from one week to the following period was one of the two main issues brought up.

"If we have a quota of 5,000 for the week, based of course on the preceding week's returns, and then take out only 3,600 people during that period, there will be a surplus of 2,000 people," he said.

The question whether this surplus number of passengers can be carried over to the following week will be reconsidered, he added.

Another issue, Mr. Lee explained, will be the exodus of people to the Portuguese Colony on special occasions, such as annual festivals. "If we take out 3,000 people to Macao and the return quota is 3,000, what will happen to the rest?" he said.

This will also be reconsidered by the authorities, Mr. Lee declared.

The shipping companies will draw the attention of the authorities to these main points in a formal application, it was learned.

To ensure passengers being able to return to Hong Kong, the Ming Sung Industrial Company will issue return tickets. Prices for the return passage will be slightly increased, it was learned.

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Rabies claims fourth victim

Rabies claims its fourth victim since the beginning of the year in the west. Friday March 16, according to the Weekly Health Return released yesterday.

The Return showed that two animals also died of rabies bringing the total for the year to five.

Tuberculosis, of which 351 fresh cases were reported, claimed 45 deaths during the week ending March 16, according to the Weekly Health Return released yesterday.

Total deaths from all causes in the week under review was 295 as against 1,008 births.

Wordsworth centenary marked

The centenary of the death of the English poet, William Wordsworth, was commemorated at the British Council's premises in the Gloucester Building by an exhibition, beginning yesterday, of photographs relating to his life and work.

The charming and romantic surroundings of the Lake District of North West England, where the poet spent the greater part of his life, were very graphically portrayed.

The pictures on view were not limited to Wordsworth and his poetry, but also referred to some of the contemporary people and events which influenced his career.

Facsimiles of his works, including the celebrated ode "To the Cuckoo," were shown.

The pervading serenity of his home in the Lakeland, little changed since his time, that drew Wordsworth back from his philo-sophic studies and romantic wanderings in Southern England and Europe to become the great Nature poet of the 19th Century amid his boyhood scenes, was readily sensed from many of the photographs.

Professor R. K. M. Simpson, of the University of Hong Kong, gave the Centenary Lecture on the poet at the Council Library yesterday afternoon.

The professor was introduced by the head of the British Council in Hong Kong, Mr. Robert Bruce, and delivered his address to a full gathering.

He reviewed Wordsworth's life and literary accomplishments, and quoted from well-known passages.

Mr. Simpson discussed Wordsworth in terms of his love of nature, and the paradoxes which often occur in his poetry.

Bank clerk sentenced for larceny

Leung Chi-kin, aged 42, a clerk at the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation's Kowloon branch, was sentenced to 18 months hard labour by Mr. E. K. d'Almeida at Kowloon yesterday for the larceny of \$6,102.37 from the bank.

Detective Sub-Inspector B. A. Newman told the Court that on March 30 Wong Yick-yuen went to the bank and wanted to remit \$500 to England. A cheque for \$6,102.37 was handed to defendant who failed to issue a receipt.

Wong sent for his receipt on several occasions and after being refused the fourth time, reported to the manager.

Investigations of defendant's books disclosed that he had taken money on seven other occasions. The amount he had taken totalled \$11,702.

Defendant, who had been employed by the bank for 21 years, said that he went into business with a friend and that he took the money to cover his losses.

Mr. Newman added that defendant was getting \$494 a month, and that he had seven children, a wife and parents to support.

The Committee set up by Government to consider the present high prices of fish, has been increased by two more unofficial members.

The two new members are Mr. Tso Yu-chuen, Vice-Chairman of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Young Tsun-Dart, of the Hong Kong and Yau-mai Ferry Company.

Employers Federation holds annual meet

The Employers Federation of Hong Kong held its annual general meeting yesterday. Press representatives were not invited to the meeting. Mr. S. Parsons, Secretary of the Federation, released only the Vice-President's (Mr. G. Campbell) speech. It read:

"It is unfortunate that our Chairman, Mr. Terry, is not with us today, but we are pleased to think that he is taking a well earned rest. His wide knowledge of affairs and his impressive personality made him a tower of strength in the Council and his leadership will be a memorable one."

"Before he went on leave just recently, Mr. Terry left notes on certain matters which he considered to be of prime importance not only to members of the Federation but to the Colony as a whole, and on these I will elaborate later."

"This is the commencement of the third official year of the Federation. In the past two years it can be truly said that we have pulled out weight in the affairs of Hong Kong and members are kept informed of the Council's activities currently through the medium of our Quarterly Bulletins."

The membership increases month by month and more than ever employers realize the co-operation among themselves and amicable relations with their workers are of paramount importance.

"During the past two years, we have seen the trade union movement considerably extended. This is one of the subjects upon which Mr. Terry explained me to give thought and to make the Employers' position with regard thereto perfectly clear. I cannot be better than to quote his words when he was the Employers' Delegate at the recent International Labour Organisation Conference in Ceylon. He said:

"We in Hong Kong have watched with considerable interest, the growth of Trade Union Movement in Asia and we subscribe fully to the fact that responsible Trade Unions led by able and responsible officers whose sole interest is the welfare and the betterment of conditions of the people they represent, provide a major contribution to stability and to the well-being of all."

"We are convinced also that free discussions and exchange of ideas between interested parties not only increases productive efficiency and production but is the only satisfactory method of settling industrial disputes and thus avoiding the final resort to the two-edged weapon of the strike. Strikes, like wars, benefit nobody, and we Employers in Hong Kong, are prepared at all times, when agreement cannot be reached between workers and Employers, to submit to the decision of an impartial tribunal. Only in this way, we are convinced, can the rule of law be maintained against the force of chaos, mob rule and anarchy. We also entirely support the fullest advantage Trade Unions must be free—free above all, from political domination."

Cost of living "Those were Mr. Terry's words and I ask Employers and Employees alike to give them serious consideration."

"In the past year strikes action has been taken in numerous cases, but I am convinced that only a small fraction of the workers were really in favour of them, although all have had to suffer."

"Another matter upon which Mr. Terry desired me to speak is that of the cost of living in Hong Kong. The Members of the Council have given the most careful thought to ways and means of bringing down the cost of essential foodstuffs, for they are of the opinion, and I feel sure that you will share this opinion, that the greatest benefit to workers in these times would be cheap but good quality rice, fish and vegetables. It would help the costs of production and put Hong Kong in a more favourable position in the competitive market."

Investigations about a month ago in Macao revealed the fact that the prices of rice and other commodities were much lower there than they were in Hong Kong, particularly rice.

"Consequently, samples of rice from both places were obtained, labelled and submitted to Government for observations."

Two sweethearts strolling in King's Park were complainants in the trial of two men alleged to have held up the couple one evening last year relieving them of a wrist watch, two finger rings and HK\$22.05.

At the Criminal Sessions yesterday, the dock was occupied by Chan Kai-on and Ho Kwok-lam, both charged with robbery with aggravation. Another man, Chiu Hui-man, is also standing trial on a count of possession of ammunition.

Mr. A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector Davies, prosecuted. The accused were not legally represented.

Mr. Hooton told the jury that on the evening of December 12 last, Kwan Chien-hing and his fiancée, Miss Chan Yuen, were walking in King's Park when they were stopped by two men, alleged to have been first and third accused.

First accused is said to have carried a revolver. Third accused ordered the couple to hand over their valuables. At gun-point, the man gave up his wrist-watch and ring, while the girl handed over her ring and the money from her hand-bag. The men then went away.

The third accused, Mr. Hooton continued, was arrested about half an hour later. On him were discovered the stolen items. First accused was arrested three weeks later with a revolver on him, in company with the second accused. First and third accused were identified as the robbers.

Second accused, then took the police to a house where he showed them three rounds of ammunition. After corroborative evidence yesterday, Mr. Justice Scholles, Acting Puisne Judge, adjourned the trial until this morning.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS FIFTH RACE MEETING

Saturday, 29th April, 1950

There are ten races, the First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through Tickets (10 Races) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race as well as the Special Cash Sweep for the "Kwongtung Handicap" scheduled to be run on 7th October, 1950. Cash Sweep tickets for the last race and those for the "Kwongtung Handicap" may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE. Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE. Badges admitting Ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 (including tax) for Ladies or Gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary, or the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him and for payment of all other dues.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course. The Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11.00 p.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING. PUBLIC ENCLOSURE. The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

BOOKMAKERS: T. C. TAO MEN, ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PREMISES OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DURING THE RACE MEETING.

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE. SERVANTS' PASS. Servants' passes will be issued to private domestic staff only, who are requested to distribute them with identification and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted to enter the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stables.

By Order, A. A. BEAL, Secretary

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House, Tel. 52318.

POLICE NOTICE

On Monday, April 17, 1950,
at 8.30 a.m., at Lai Chi Kok
Beach Road, near Hong Kong
and Kowloon Godown Co.,
Ltd. premises, lorry No. 8201
collided with a lamp standard
as a result of which a Chi-
nese female fell from the rear
of the vehicle and received
Fatal injuries.

Any persons witnessing the
accident, or who can give in-
formation regarding the acci-
dent are asked to communi-
cate with Traffic Office, Kow-
loon, Telephone Numbers
50735, 58029 and 59114, or
with any other Police Stations.

COMMISSIONER OF
POLICE.

April 20, 1950.

POLICE NOTICE

On Tuesday, April 18, 1950,
at 4.25 p.m. at junction of
Prince Edward Road and
Waterloo Road, a Chinese male
was knocked down by private
car No. H.K.969, and received
Fatal injuries.

Any persons witnessing the
accident, or who can give in-
formation regarding the acci-
dent are asked to communi-
cate with Traffic Office, Kow-
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COMMISSIONER OF
POLICE.

April 20, 1950.

NOTICE TO MARINERS
NO. 20 OF 1950.

HONG KONG WATERS
VICTORIA HARBOUR
CABLE LAYING
OPERATIONS.

CENTRAL CABLE RESERVE.

It is notified that cable lay-
ing operations are expected to
take place, in the Central
Cable Reserve situated between
the City of Victoria and the
south end of the Kowloon
Peninsula, between April 27
and May 8, 1950. Mark buoys
may be laid within this area
from time to time, during the
course of the operations.

2. Every vessel approach-
ing a vessel employed in lay-
ing or in picking up a cable
shall proceed at dead slow
speed and shall take all neces-
sary avoiding action.

Authority:—Marine Depart-
ment, Hong Kong.

J. JOLLY,
Director of Marine.

Marine Office,
Hong Kong, April 24, 1950.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

5th Race Meeting — 29th April, 1950

It has been decided to split into two sections by a draw
Race No. 4 "Mount Nicholson Stakes" for ponies of previous
seasons Classified Class 9. The second section will be Race
No. 11 and run at 6.50 p.m.

THERE WILL BE NO CASH SWEEP ON THIS RACE.

By Order,

S. A. SLEAP,
Secretary.

HONGKONG TELEPHONE CO., LTD.
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JOINTLY ANNOUNCE

A radio-telephone service to Tokyo only will be

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NOTICE
IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF
HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS OF
JOAO MARIA DA
ROCHA late of No. 8
Tak Shing Street, Tsim-
shatsui, Kowloon in the
Colony of Hong Kong,
Merchant, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Court has by virtue
of Section 58 of the Probate
Ordinance 1897 made an Order
limiting the time for creditors
and others to send in their
claims against the above estate
to the 5th day of May, 1950.

All creditors and others are
hereby requested to send in
their claims to the undersigned
on or before that date.

Dated the 24th day of April,
1950.

M. A. da SILVA,
Solicitor for the
Administratrix,
Gloucester Building,
First Floor,
Hong Kong

NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF
XAVIER BROTHERS
LIMITED.

And

IN THE MATTER OF
Section 9 of the Com-
panies' (Reconstruction
of Records) Ordinance
1947.

NOTICE is hereby given that
Xavier Brothers Limited has
lost its Memorandum of Asso-
ciation and that it is proposed
to adopt a new memorandum
under the provisions of section
9 of the Companies' (Recon-
struction of Records) Ordina-
nce 1947. The proposed new
memorandum may be inspected
at any time during office hours
at the Company's registered
office No. 8, Des Voeux Road
Central.

Persons having any objec-
tions to the proposed new
memorandum must within two
months from the 24th day of
April, 1950 file with the Regis-
trar of Companies a notice in
writing stating briefly the na-
ture of their objections and
giving an address within the
Colony for service of any pro-
cess or notice.

M. A. da SILVA,
Solicitor for Xavier Brothers
Limited.

NOTICE

UNION WATERBOAT
CO. LTD.

Notice is hereby given that
the forty-first Ordinary
General Meeting of the
Company will be held at the
Office of Messrs. Dodwell &
Co., Ltd., 3rd floor, Hong-
kong Bank Building, on Tues-
day, the 8th May 1950, at 11
a.m. for the purpose of receiv-
ing the Report and Statement
of Accounts for the year ended
31st December 1949.

Notice is also given that the
Transfer Books of the Com-
pany will be closed from the
25th April to 9th May 1950,
both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.

Hong Kong, April 14, 1950.

OHEL LEAH
SYNAGOGUE

THE MEMORIAL SERVICE
IN THE SYNAGOGUE ON
WEDNESDAY THE 26th APR.
WILL BE HELD AT 7.30 p.m.
instead of 7 p.m.

Facts which must be faced

Year	1946	1947	1948	1949
Notifications	2,801	4,855	6,279	7,510
Deaths	1,752	1,861	1,961	2,611

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Donations may be sent to the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, The
Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd., The South China Morning Post, Ltd., The China
Mail, Wah Kin Yat, The Hongkong Tiger Standard.

Cheques should be crossed
The Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

HK TRADE WITH
N. CHINA UP

Hong Kong's exports to North China last month
totalled HK\$41,429,054 as compared with
HK\$17,228,773 in the same month last year.
Imports from North China last month totalled
HK\$28,383,539 as compared with HK\$13-
469,892 in the corresponding month in 1949.

Central China took HK\$30-
888,789 worth of goods from
the Colony last month. In
March last year the total was
only HK\$3,988,203; Imports
from Central China in the
month under review totalled
HK\$6,834,269 as compared
with HK\$2,014,086 in March
last year.

The Statistical Office of the
Department of Commerce and
Industry reports that total im-
ports of merchandise in March
amounted to a declared value of
\$279,168,973 as compared with
\$221,714,083 in March, 1949.

COUNTRIES	IMPORTS FROM March 1950	March 1949	EXPORTS TO March 1950	March 1949
United Kingdom	85,819,029	29,657,707	12,482,148	18,977,657
Australia	10,105,069	4,264,363	2,239,570	1,887,011
Canada	3,951,148	2,719,246	1,085,027	822,302
Ceylon	177,415	177,726	122,950	658,647
East Africa	275,085	178,823	484,500	1,610,615
India	17,745,593	3,473,504	1,029,025	3,395,152
Malaya (British)	8,114,816	4,737,921	24,719,260	23,199,810
New Zealand	—	203,282	431,183	202,392
North Borneo	1,378,244	1,128,806	924,785	688,268
Pakistan	11,631,952	8,013,613	8,013,613	8,000,870
South Africa	1,887,195	1,268,077	214,401	1,227,659
West Indies	16,888	—	806,435	829,884
West Indies	1,250	60,209	326,015	359,279
Dr. Commonwealth, Other	2,708,824	1,665,401	1,102,683	1,061,376
Belgium	1,004,102	229,646	—	—
Burma	3,800,799	1,808,253	825,668	657,481
Durma	184,245	5,636,747	1,069,160	64,293
Central America	104,858	52,000	428,109	286,391
China, North	28,383,539	13,469,892	41,429,054	17,228,773
China, Middle	4,071,359	2,814,066	5,488,769	5,068,228
China, South	17,238,858	32,721,043	16,152,238	10,209,294
Czechoslovakia	1,272,819	794,071	—	—
Denmark	376,115	309,089	884,270	153,861
Egypt	108,170	5,108	511,619	314,932
Finland	287,680	222,253	4,999	—
France	4,974,880	2,096,733	380,157	668,027
French Indo-China	5,374,419	1,434,018	1,816,728	1,000,182
Germany	5,698,527	618,305	2,081,602	1,688,956
Holland	4,346,010	2,310,062	1,427,644	408,608
Iraq	—	—	10,340	—
Italy	1,061,622	767,430	019,853	656,437
Japan	4,378,461	7,031,627	10,086,164	4,664,823
Korea, North	1,882,366	10,388,085	217,076	8,050,940
Korea, South	2,053,613	8,818,769	5,068,228	5,068,228
Malaya	8,240,564	6,248,200	23,650,215	12,207,120
Norway	3,094,093	762,420	611,612	85,845
Oman	—	—	70,922	480,000
Philippines	97,612	2,120,161	71,832	71,832
Poland	1,068,278	335,223	5,055,530	7,680,826
Portugal	116,465	148,713	96,578	1,725
Portuguese East Africa	—	—	108,212	220,097
South America	12,067	769,144	44,510	664,396
Spain	86,123	40,342	—	80,899
Sweden	2,507,007	1,578,389	1,084,921	109,020
Switzerland	5,004,716	3,956,421	337,669	101,734
Thailand	14,657,346	10,389,685	4,465,013	18,058,428
Turkey	54,171,263	47,860,678	116,665	174,900
U. S. A.	1,018,653	1,018,653	1,018,653	1,018,653
United States of Indonesia	5,230,032	3,653,148	1,788,012	1,280,710
Others	1,378,609	1,616,465	5,714,859	1,576,976
Total	279,168,973	221,714,083	236,815,564	177,078,271
Total Dr. Commonwealth	23,128,210	59,105,894	61,283,330	61,283,330
Total Foreign	186,040,763	171,610,289	175,532,234	115,815,205

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By Dick Turner



"It seems Waldo didn't ditch me after all—he just fol-
lowed another shopper who used the same perfume I
was wearing!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE
By Shepard Barclay

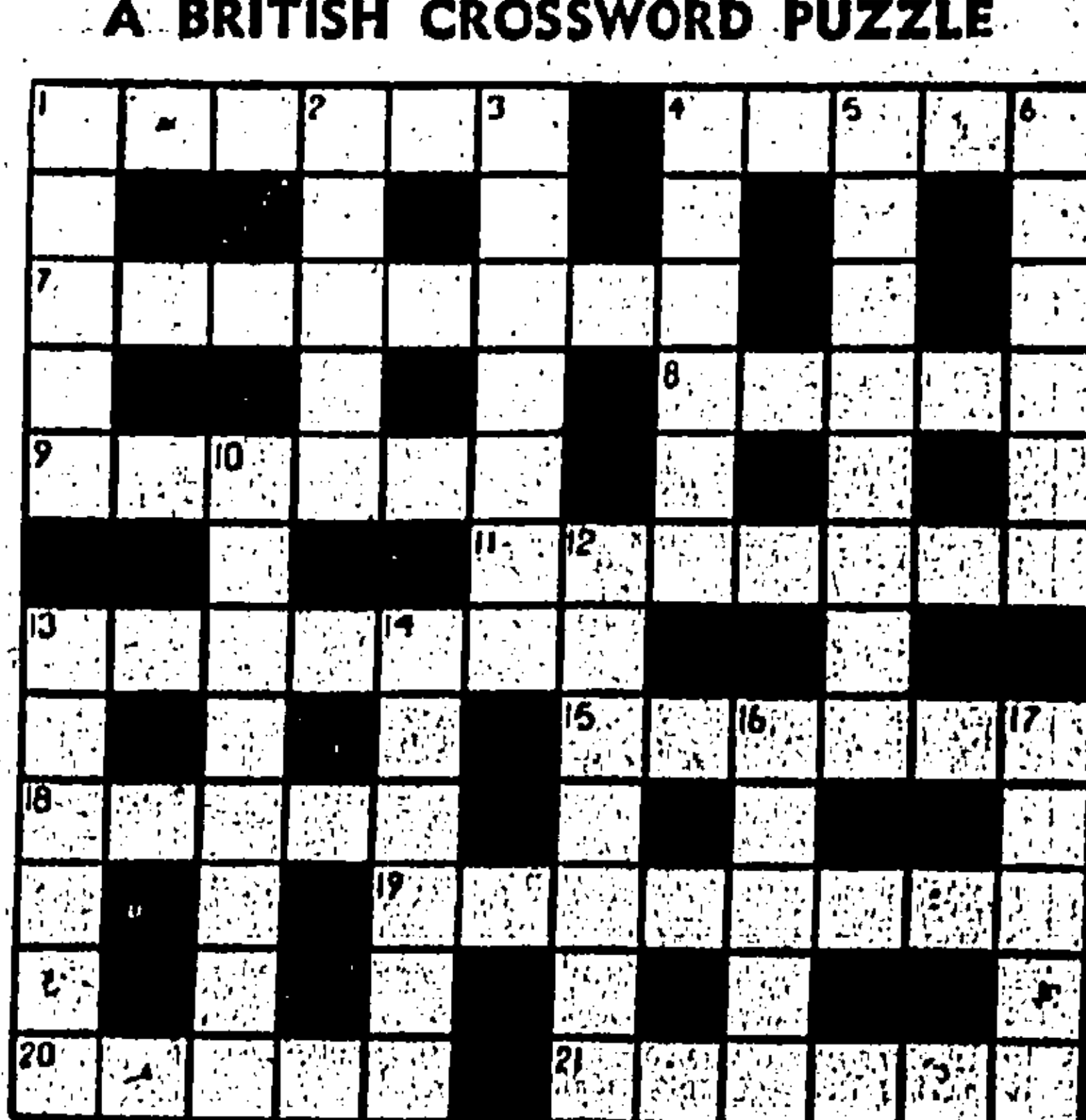
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HOW TO SEEK TOPS
SELDOM will you catch one of
the top-ranking players attempt-
ing an extreme longshot type of
play in a tournament, with the
idea of seeking a top score on a
deal. The kind of move which is
an odds-on probability to lose
rather than gain is usually only
the act of a player who knows
he is up against superior oppo-
sition and therefore needs luck
to win. But you will frequently
see one of the stars attempt a
play which is definitely different
from what he knows most of his
opponents will do, but which has
just as good a chance for success.

At most of the tables where the
heart Q was led to the A, the
spade A and K next led to the
trumps and the club 2 was led to
the K. The A of course won and
the diamond 2 came back to the
Q, Q and A. Now, hoping for an
even club break, so that the dia-
mond 6 could be discarded on the
thirteenth, West led to the Q and
J. But the suit did not break 3-3,
so a trick had to be lost in dia-
monds.

One declarer noted that most
West would play the hand just
that way, so he decided to play
the clubs differently, with the first
lead from his own hand, hoping
North had the A. He did, but he
tried to make it tough by putting
in the 10, whereupon the J won.
West returned to his hand with a
spade and led the club 7. The
A won that, the diamond return
took out the A, but the club 7,
a spade to dummy and the club
Q enabled West to discard the
diamond 6 and thus take all
tricks but one. West had made a
play different from the others, but
with no greater risk of failure, so
was rewarded by a top score.

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Across
1 Negligent. 13 Executives.
4 Inclines. 15 Elevation.
7 Star. 18 Wander.
8 Snow hut. 19 Tell.
9 Put aside. 20 Out of prac-
11 Pushing. 21 Clear a
with the. 22 channel.
above.

Down
1 Bellows. 10 Internation-
2 Perfect. 12 Showed in.
3 Salary. 13 Boundary.
4 Cruel. 14 Instru-
5 Cooking. 15 mentality.
6 Native gar- 16 Reflection.
ment. 17 Moral.

Yesterday's Crossword
Across—1 Opus. 4 Rampage.
5 Piled. 6 Spur. 10 Volumes. 11
Ever. 12 Gale. 14 Legends. 17
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THE COLD WAR NOT FORESEEN BY U.S.

Washington, April 24. The cold war which today dominates the foreign affairs of the United States, was largely unforeseen by the architects who planned America's post-war foreign policy during the dark days of World War II. This was disclosed when the State Department issued a 726-page volume entitled, "Post-war Foreign Policy Preparation, 1939-1945."

INDIA'S CRUCIAL YEARS

Hazariabagh, April 23. The coming years will be crucial for India, the Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, said here today.

The first general elections since India gained freedom will be held during that period, and the people of India will have to make up their minds whether to follow the Gandhian path of peace, unity, truth and non-violence, or the violent path of Communist and other trouble-makers.

Freedom had been achieved two and a half years ago, and people asked what the Government had done to better their lot. He would remind the people that the Government had to face grave problems arising from partition, some of which had not yet been completely solved.

Despite such problems, the Government had undertaken a number of development projects, one of which had been launched in Bihar and which he and the President of the Republic had come to see for themselves.

These projects would confer great benefits on the people, but for undertaking such projects, peace was necessary.

Defending the Indo-Pakistan agreement on minorities, Pandit Nehru told his audience of 20,000 people, including coal-miners, that the alternative was war.

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The book, prepared at the request of President Truman, records the mechanics of the evolution of the United Nations. In the words of the Department:

"It is a record of the special structures, methods, working relationships, and other germane aspects of the extraordinary process instituted by the Department of State and the President during the war for the specific purpose of preparing for the peace."

The author—Harley Notter, adviser to the assistant Secretary for United Nations affairs—frankly described his four-year effort as a formidable volume.

"The idea was that we ought to have a record structurally on how the effort was made to get ready for the post-war era," he said. "This wasn't done during the first war," Mr. Notter said, "and we still don't know the history of some of the things done then."

Mr. Notter was asked if the planners foresaw what has happened at UN. "Not altogether," he said. "There was a pledge of Russian co-operation. It hasn't been kept. But we had to predicate everything on the assumption that it would be kept."

Cold war

What about the cold war? he was asked. Was there any preparation for the finally-evolved policy of containing Soviet expansion?

Mr. Notter replied cautiously that during 1943 there was some question of just what Russia was going to do after the war. There were some papers prepared dealing with alternatives to be followed in the event Soviet Union didn't want to co-operate fully in the brave new world.

However, these were not included in the book. They were merely "working level" papers, he explained.

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planned, and "not matters for decision."

An aspect of the book which may bring it to the attention of Congressional investigators is its repeated reference to former Department officials who have since been accused of being Communist spies. The name of Alger Hiss is mentioned 22 times, and that of Henry Julian Wadsworth crops up nine times. Most of the references are to consultations in which they participated in their official capacities.

Bases proposal

The volume includes a number of preliminary proposed drafts for the United Nations Charter, showing evolution of the Charter toward its finished state.

It also includes references to early Soviet proposals for UN military bases at strategic spots throughout the world, and for an international air force.

Mr. Notter explained that these Russian suggestions were turned down "because our military men felt they were loose, full of holes and unworkable."

The volume indicates that the early UN planners considered various definitions of "aggression" for inclusion in the Charter. Mr. Notter said that the idea finally was discarded, because any definition would merely tell an aggressor what he could not do, and leave him free to find some undefined form of aggression.

President Truman, who ordered the book compiled in 1946, got an advance copy just in time to take it along on his Florida holiday trip.

Anybody else can buy it from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., for US\$2.25—United Press.

MORE HELP FOR BRITISH FILMS?

London, April 23. Mr. Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, proposes putting another £1,000,000 into the National Film Finance Corporation, the Government-supported agency established last April to help the "hard-hit" film industry.

The Corporation's first annual report, published earlier this month, stated that losses might be considerable. Mr. Wilson, addressing the annual conference of the Association of Cinematograph and Allied Technicians here today, declared: "One trembles to contemplate what the fate of the industry would have been if we had not established that Corporation."—Reuter.

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Warning against sneak attack

Washington, April 23. The atomic scientist, Dr. Harold Urey, said today that the United States should do much more to guard against the danger that submarines will mine American harbours with atomic bombs.

The University of Chicago scientist, discussing the problem in a transcribed radio interview, said it would be quite possible for enemy submarines to sneak into major American harbours and plant atomic bombs to "explode underwater later."

He said, "We should try to guard against it. I have seen in papers that some activity along this line is being taken and I hope very much more is taken." He did not explain what activity is under way.—United Press.

MILITARY TRAIN ATTACKED

Paris, April 23.

Indo-Chinese Vietnam insurgents last night attacked a military train on the Nhatrang-Saigon line, 27 miles East of Saigon, according to an Agence France Presse report.

Train guards, aided by aircraft, drove off the raiders. A French Headquarters communiqué said that the attackers suffered heavy losses, while six Vietnamese were killed. Before the attack, the Vietnam guerrillas cut the railway line to stop the train.

The French military authorities in Hanoi today announced the recapture of the post of Phou (in the Red River valley, South of Laos), which was evacuated on February 13 after Vietnam attacks.

The Red River valley is now being cleared by French troops, the Hanoi statement added. To accommodate Vietnamese refugees from zones under Vietnam control, Buddhist pagodas in Hanoi will be partly converted into rest centres by the local authorities.

Hanoi's present population of 200,000 is twice the number at the outbreak of the fighting five years ago.—Reuter.

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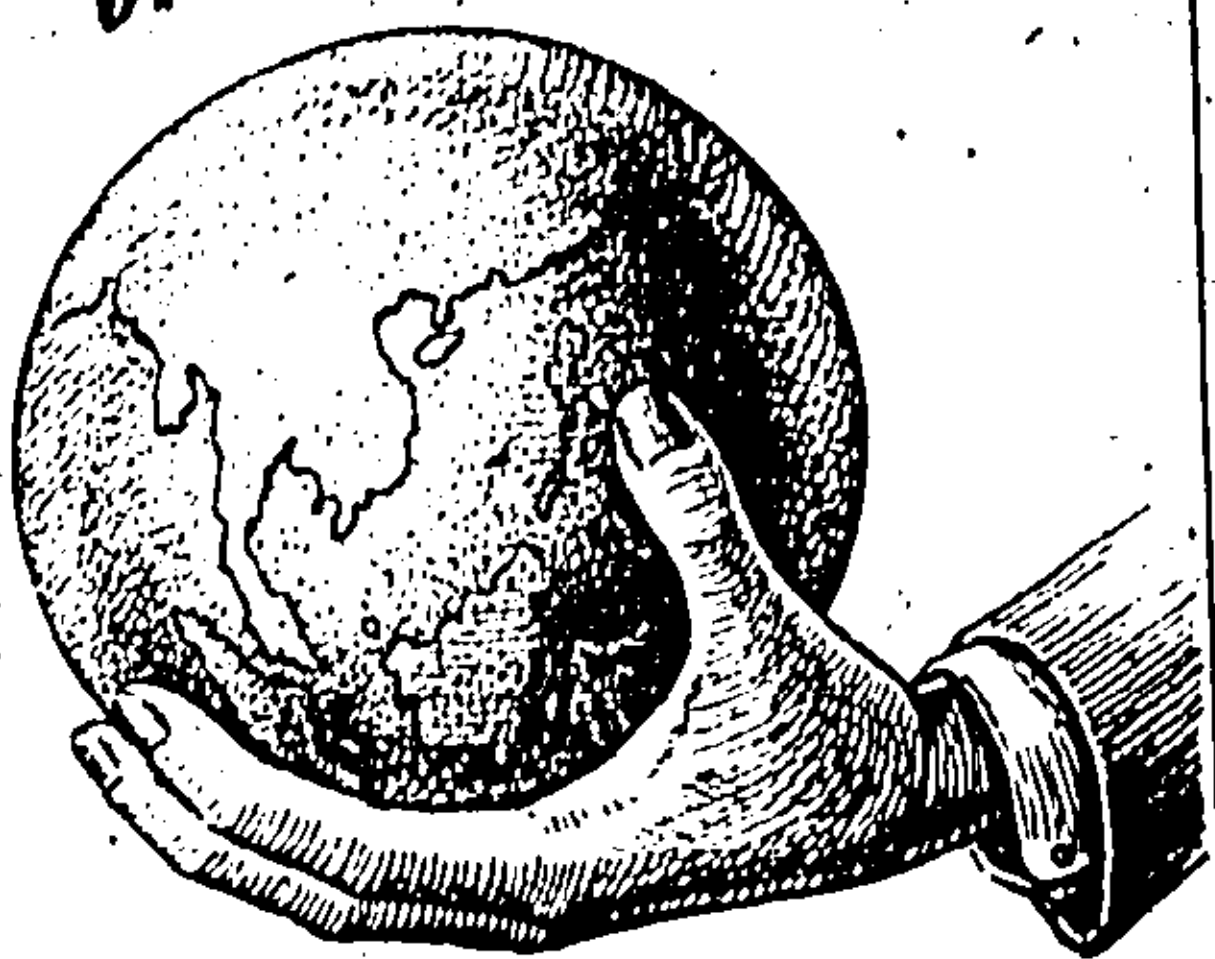
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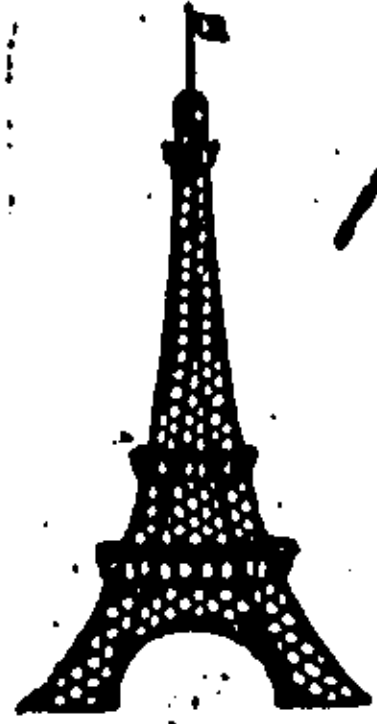
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COLD COMFORT

The Chinese Government troops made the conquest of Hainan Island look exceedingly simple. They apparently didn't bother about securing either Naval or air support, but sailed across in junks at night, landed at several beaches, sent detachments inland, linked up with the Communist guerrillas in the hills overlooking the beaches, and then marched on Hoihow. How much effort the Nationalist Navy and air force put into it is difficult to tell. Vivid descriptions of violent activity are not necessarily accurate. They can be written up, like the famous descriptions of battles which used to pour out of Nationalist Nanking, in the quiet seclusion of an office miles from the scene of action.

But what does seem certain is that the very considerable ground forces on Hainan took little or no part in the proceedings. It was not a mere matter of being afraid to fight. The Nationalist troops clearly didn't want to. And in any case it is generally possible to make preliminary peace arrangements so as to avoid unnecessary trouble and bloodshed. In these matters the Chinese military are eminently sane. There were a variety of reports about strong air and naval reinforcements from Taiwan after the first landings. Certainly this seemed the obvious thing to do, if only for the sake of Nationalist prestige. But one gets the impression that the place had virtually been written off in Taiwan, where they probably knew the state of mind of the defenders. The picture of the airfield thronged with Nationalist soldiers clamouring to get away from the Communists, and of the early escape of the commanding officers, is one only too familiar.

The episode does not fortify confidence in the ability of the Nationalists to hold their positions in the Chusan Islands, if and when the Communists decide to attack them. Nor will it make much difference, we fear, whether these positions are or are not soon reduced. The bombings of Shanghai have come to an end. The blockade remains, but during the past few months economic policy has moved so swiftly that some are doubting whether there will be much sea trade left to carry on even if the blockade passes, like the bombings—unless Russian ships begin to call at Shanghai.

Policy is more and more tied up with economic arrangements with Russia and with the theory that another world war is inescapable—a theory that the Russians appear to have imposed on the Chinese leaders in Moscow. Indeed, the latest Reuter despatch from London, on the plight of British firms in Shanghai, suggests that the Communists are divided between two schools. One believes that war is not far off and that trade links with the West are therefore not worth bothering about. The other believes that the cold war will last long enough to justify working relationships with the Western Powers. The despatch is cold comfort and seems to be in the nature of a plea for the postponement of sentence, but without much confidence in its being heeded. It is apparently based on a statement by the Russians.

THE SYDNEY CONFERENCE

By "Windrush"
Special Correspondent

Main task

If the Sydney Conference keeps this in mind it will realise that it must draw up a scheme which it can honestly recommend as likely to produce results as spectacular and as rapid as any scheme which Communists could sponsor. This is the measure of the task which confronts the Conference.

The Delegations will be wise to bear in mind that they have also to overcome one psychological difficulty. On the whole, Eastern peoples are still rather fatalistic in their ideas about government. They like to feel that there is a strong hand at the helm, that their affairs are being purposefully directed. Here the Communists have the advantage. Few people in the West realise how impressive the apparatus of the Communist State seems to the average Easterner. At the top is a Dictator, the Politburo, below is the hierarchy to carry out obediently their policies. The waste and confusion and inefficiency of the Russian bureaucracy is not obvious to the ordinary Easterner. Instead, it appears to him much more purposeful than the more

complex, more subtle economic organisation of the West.

In the Western system the guiding hand is less apparent. The system may therefore appear less attractive.

It is certainly possible to make out a very good case for saying that in fact the superior wealth of the Western world today is due to the freer political and economic life of Western countries. After all, there was not a very great difference in the original resources of Eastern and Western lands.

But the West has not been able as yet to state this persuasively to the intelligentsia of Asia. The Sydney Conference can only succeed if the public opinion of South Asia is convinced that Western ways of economic organisation can bring more substantial and faster results than Communist ways.

North African Journey—No. 1:

The desert has forgotten

round them. Even these plaques the desert is softly trying to absorb.

The useful tin

There are only two things the desert has not been able to shake off. First, the mines still buried beneath its surface, and, second, the non-returnable four-gallon petrol tins we used.

They have given birth to a minor school of architecture among the bedouins, who make ramshackle huts from them, and, finally, by nothing at all.

By Alexander
Clifford

And everywhere else the familiar tussock-pocked dust-scapes bisected by the black tarmac road.

It is all exactly as it used to be. And it all means absolutely nothing.

Perhaps it is always dangerous to revisit places where something important happened to you. It never looks quite as it should. But the desert does not look like anything at all.

An empty stage

To anyone who knew it when it was filled with danger and discomfort and excitement and human experience its emptiness today is shocking and baffling. It is nakedness. It is the deadness of a stage when the play is over and the actors have gone and the scenery has been taken down.

No echo remains. You stand on the ridge at Alamain and look down across one of history's great battlefields, and you simply can't conceive that any battle ever took place there.

The desert—calm and indifferent—has won. You get an impression of a blind, gentle, irresistible force at work, healing its scars and reclaiming its own.

All those innumerable slit trenches have been reabsorbed. Those deep-rutted tracks which scamed the plain have faded back into the general monotony.

Scrapped airfields are tussocked over again. You can't find the camp sites of eight years ago or the gunpits or any signposts or any indication of where anything was.

Eight thousand white crosses, grouped in neat rows on the left of the road, are the only things there to help you whip up any emotion about Alamain.

Men died here, and here they lie to prove that the great battle was fought.

But even the dead in a way are losing their desert character. For a wall is being built round them, and on one side there is an elaborate entrance with lodges and a visitors' book. Their white crosses are going to be replaced by permanent headstones.

Water has been laid on, and green things are to be made to grow. It will be more like their homes, perhaps, but much less like the desert.

To the Springboks

The South Africans have got ahead of the rest of the Empire and put up a monument to themselves on the main road at Alamain. There is nothing to recall that this sector was really held by the Australians, with the New Zealanders on their left. There is nothing yet to recall England at all.

But here is—characteristically—an Italian memorial, the biggest and most impressive of all—put up by the Italian Consul for Alexandria.

Someone has put up a plaque to the forward British line in the desert, and another to mark the forward enemy minefield. Lizards bask on top of them in the spring sunshine, and sometimes an indifferent bedouin grazes his little herd of goats

they do they like to do the job correctly.

A few miles further on Bardia lies, a white mirage—a silent, deserted, half-ruined ghost town. Then there is nothing till Tobruk. At Tobruk, for the first time, you get a faint, anemic echo of the past. For there still are British uniforms in the streets, there is a Naafi functioning, there is an army petrol point, there is British activity in the harbour.

But it is the slow, dull rhythm of a small peace-time garrison. Its streets are shabby but tidy and tame.

And outside the town the desert has returned. Those chronological layers of ruined war material which lay like geological strata over the land have been fined down to a faint patina of old iron.

Just a name

Sidi Rezegh is merely a map reference. Knightsbridge is a featureless slab of desert, sketchily framed in bedraggled barbed wire and surrounded by a minefield.

The desert, in fact, has reverted to the simplicity of a boxing ring or operating table.

Looking at its emptiness, it seems extraordinarily easy to be wise after the event. How could Britain ever have used those petrol tins? How could she ever have started out on a campaign with tanks inferior to those of the enemy? How could Hitler have failed to see the value of sending Rommel another armoured division and winning Egypt?

But the desert is not much use for fighting old battles over again. There is too little there to suggest any reorientation of history.

The sheer size of it makes one wonder whether Wavell is not given too much credit for that first brilliant campaign against the Italians. His army galloped away out of his control after the opening phase and made up its own plans as it went along.

And the emptiness of Alamain suggests that Montgomery won in a straight fight merely through having a bigger and better army—which no British general had had before.

Perhaps in the last resort Auchinleck's year—the year of struggle and development—was the really difficult and important phase. And probably one must resign oneself to admitting that Rommel was the real hero of the whole desert drama.

But that is a matter for history books and text books and personal memories—and Alamain dinners. None of it seems relevant here. The desert has already forgotten.

No one passes

The Eighth Army's rocky, serpentine track still winds down Halfaya Pass, but no one uses it. Whole nations once waited breathless for news of it, but now it is meaningless.

Near its foot there is another British cemetery, with its walls and lodges and visitors' book already in place.

At Sollum they stamp your passport and examine your luggage. Opposite the Customs house a hopeful Arab is languidly drinking "Hotel of Happiness" on his hotel.

Sollum's other tourist attraction besides the cemetery is Rommel's Cave, a heavily booby-trapped hole where the German general is alleged to have made his headquarters.

Up on the escarpment beside the ruins of Fort Capuzzo waves the brand-new national flag of the State of Cyrenaica. Anxious officials go painstakingly through your passport and luggage again. They get few travellers, but when



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What are Wordsworth? Myrtle thinks the ode to the cuckoo was a nice gesture to inmates of mental homes.

Jabberwocky. I admit I don't like these jobs, but on the other hand I'd hate to cholera dose of the bugs said to be floating around.

Strangely enough, the Colony's citizens can help to remedy the water shortage, but not by clean living.

Following India, Burma, Ceylon etc., Scotland is now demanding independence. Certain loud Wales coming from Cardiff make me think other colonies have the same idea.

It rather seems, too, that the South Sea Island chiefs are flitting for home rule.

No, Myrtle, it would only be confusing to refer to steamers coming from Liverpool as Mersey ships.

No again, Myrtle, MacMahon Ball is not a ritzy dance event in Australia.

Another item reprinted in its entirety from our most helpful contemporary: "Fulton, Miss.—(UP)—Lewis M. Sheffield waited for the local freight train to pass a crossing. Suddenly a shot rang out and the train stopped."

A hundred whales have been washed ashore in the Orkneys, making a very awkward situation.

How did it happen?

If only the Commos could be brought to believe these mighty Nationalist victories splashed in some of the Hong Kong papers....

"The Marine Court yesterday denied a vernacular report."

This sounds to me like a departmental departure.

Seems as if the Labour Party will have to get another vote of confidence.

I thought there was a law in Britain against these confidence tricks.



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Bevin expected to resign soon

London, April 24.
The Foreign Secretary, Ernest Bevin, may soon be compelled to resign because of his chronic—and increasingly serious—bad health—political quarters reported today.

Mr. Bevin has had several heart attacks in the last few weeks. The attacks are becoming increasingly frequent.

SILLY SEASON IN LYONS

Lyons, April 23.
Out of 22 couples who started dancing here on April 6 in the Lyons international dance marathon, 12 and a half are still dancing today at the 400th-hour of the marathon.

The half was a French partner of the Spanish girl, Patricia Soler, who has been dancing by herself since she gave up on Friday.

Although up to now short rests have been allowed after tonight there will be non-stop dancing, which is expected to end the marathon quickly.

The waltz sprint, hitherto of five minutes' duration, is to last 25 minutes tonight and is expected to knock out many of the remaining dancers. The older couples are wearing better than the youngsters.

Di Falco, of Lyons, was led off the floor weeping and saying he was abandoning 200,000 francs, the first prize, when ordered by a doctor to stop dancing as he had developed an abscess on his thigh.

Jovita, a Spanish girl dancer, wrote letters to her admirers while dancing, using her partner's shoulder as a desk.

Dancers are now making up to £10 daily in "premiums" awarded by spectators, as the spectators are now more numerous and the dancers fewer. Boogie-Woogie is the favourite rhythm. Two jitterbug experts from Nice gave up two days ago after having collected £100.

The dancers are receiving large free meals. At noon today a lunch of seven ounces of beef, lamb, ham, salad, fried potatoes and fruit was served to each dancer. "Olive," a Marseilles dancer, who is the favourite, slept for seven hours on his partner's shoulder while still dancing.—Reuter.

REDS KILLED IN HYDERABAD BORDER CLASH

Madras, April 24.
Ten persons, described as Communists, were killed in an armed clash with police in the Benna Ali Forest on the Madras-Hyderabad border.

The police recovered two guns, 17 cartridges and eight spears after the encounter.

During March and April, the number of Communists killed in armed encounters with the police in this region, including yesterday's clash, was 51.—Reuter.

Oslo, April 23.
Chocolate and sweets were taken off the ration in Norway today. The only food now rationed is meat and pork, sugar and coffee.—Reuter.

Conservatives have been demanding for some time that Mr. Bevin give way to a younger, stronger man. Now even his closest associates and greatest admirers admit privately that he should resign.

Mr. Bevin's friends say that he is staying on because he is an old war horse and cannot face the idea of retirement, because he feels that the Labour Government with its narrow majority needs all the men it can get and because his resignation would precipitate a battle royal in the Labour Party over his successor.

Aneurin Bevan, Health Minister and Left wing leader in the Cabinet, wants the job. Moderates do not want him. Mr. Bevin is believed to favour Hector McNeill long his chief assistant as Minister of State in the Foreign Office, who was promoted to Secretary of State for Scotland in the post-election Cabinet reorganisation. James Chuter Ede, Home Secretary, might get the post as a compromise candidate.

Older he is, the more tired and sick, Mr. Bevin returned to London from a series of conferences on the Continent. He faces months more of some of the most important diplomatic conferences since the war, including a meeting of the Western Big Three Foreign Ministers here next month.

A sick man

On his arrival Mr. Bevin was faced by an editorial in the Conservative "Daily Telegraph" saying that not only in the interest of his own welfare but in the interest of the country he should be relieved of his post.

"There have been unmistakable signs of the strain to which his existing responsibilities subject a sick man," the "Daily Telegraph" said.

"While his countrymen may be ready to understand the circumstances of a slip, other nations are all too apt to exploit a weakness or take offence at a pardonable error."

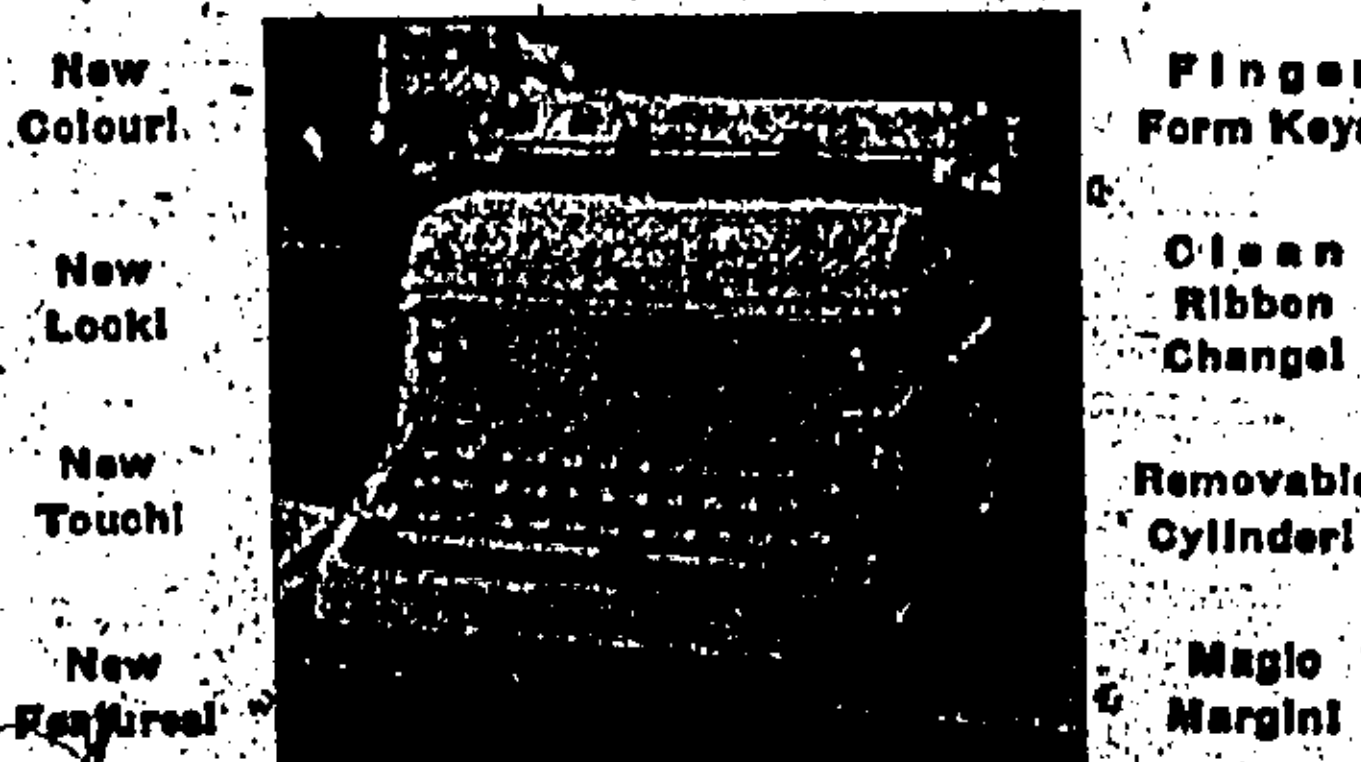
This is a reference to the belief held even by Mr. Bevin's friends that his condition cannot help but affect his performance in office. He walks with extreme difficulty. It is almost impossible for him to walk upstairs. When he went to the conference of British Commonwealth Foreign Ministers in Ceylon earlier this year he was carried upstairs to meetings in a specially built chair. His doctor accompanies him everywhere, alert for an attack. When they went to Ceylon there was a ghoulish "pool" on whether he would come back alive.—United Press.

FILM STAR'S WILL

Bakersfield, California, April 23.
Walter Huston, the veteran U.S. film actor, who died on April 7, has left his Californian ranch and a home in Running Springs to his widow and directed that a US\$30,000 trust fund be established for his son John, the Hollywood film writer.

Ann Elizabeth Huston, Walter Huston's sister, is to have a similar trust fund of US\$20,000. The total value of Huston's estate is not revealed in the will.—Associated Press.

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General says next war is not far off

Melbourne, April 23.
Addressing the Returned Servicemen's League at the Anzac reunion today, Lieutenant-General Gordon Bennett said that the next war is not far off.

"It is a matter of two or three years," he said. "We cannot escape from it. I view the situation in the world today with gravity. People who are returning from Europe think the same."

He envisaged the civilian population to be the great sufferers in another war and declared that the world is not going forward but backward.—United Press.

SENATOR WARNS ON GERMANY

Washington, April 23.
Democratic Senator Herbert Lehman said today that the threat of Soviet aggression should not blind Americans to the importance of preventing the re-creation of the same Germany that confronted the world 10 years ago.

Speaking on the radio in support of a Senate resolution calling for a commission to review the United States policy in Germany, Senator Lehman said it is necessary to study and re-examine the entire situation as it has developed in Germany.

"Five times, I repeat five times, within the last century Germany has been the starting point of aggressive wars. Two of these wars threatened the very existence of Western civilisation. Today the chief threat in the world is undoubtedly that of Soviet expansion and aggression. This should not blind us, however, to the importance of looking closely at the situation in Germany to see what is happening there."

"We are all pleased that Germany is recovering from the economic wounds of the recent conflict."

"But if there is being re-created the same Germany that confronted the world 10 years ago, we are making another date with terrible destiny for Europe and the world. The American people should know the facts."

"The bi-partisan commission, such as we have proposed in the resolution submitted to the Senate last week, will throw a searchlight of inquiry upon the area which is only vaguely illuminated in the public mind today. If we forget the German people in our concentration on the battle for Germany we may win the battle but lose the war."

"The resolution of which I am a co-author is intended only to inquire whether the Western German Republic is really a new Germany or just the same Germany with a new facade."—United Press.

BRITANNY RIOT

Paris, April 23.
Twelve were injured, several having to be conveyed to hospital, when two training hand-grenades were flung during a scuffle between Communists and soldiers in Quimper, Brittany, last night.

Fifty parachutists shouted and assaulted a stand when a Communist councillor spoke of the "dirty war in Indo-China" and the scuffle followed.

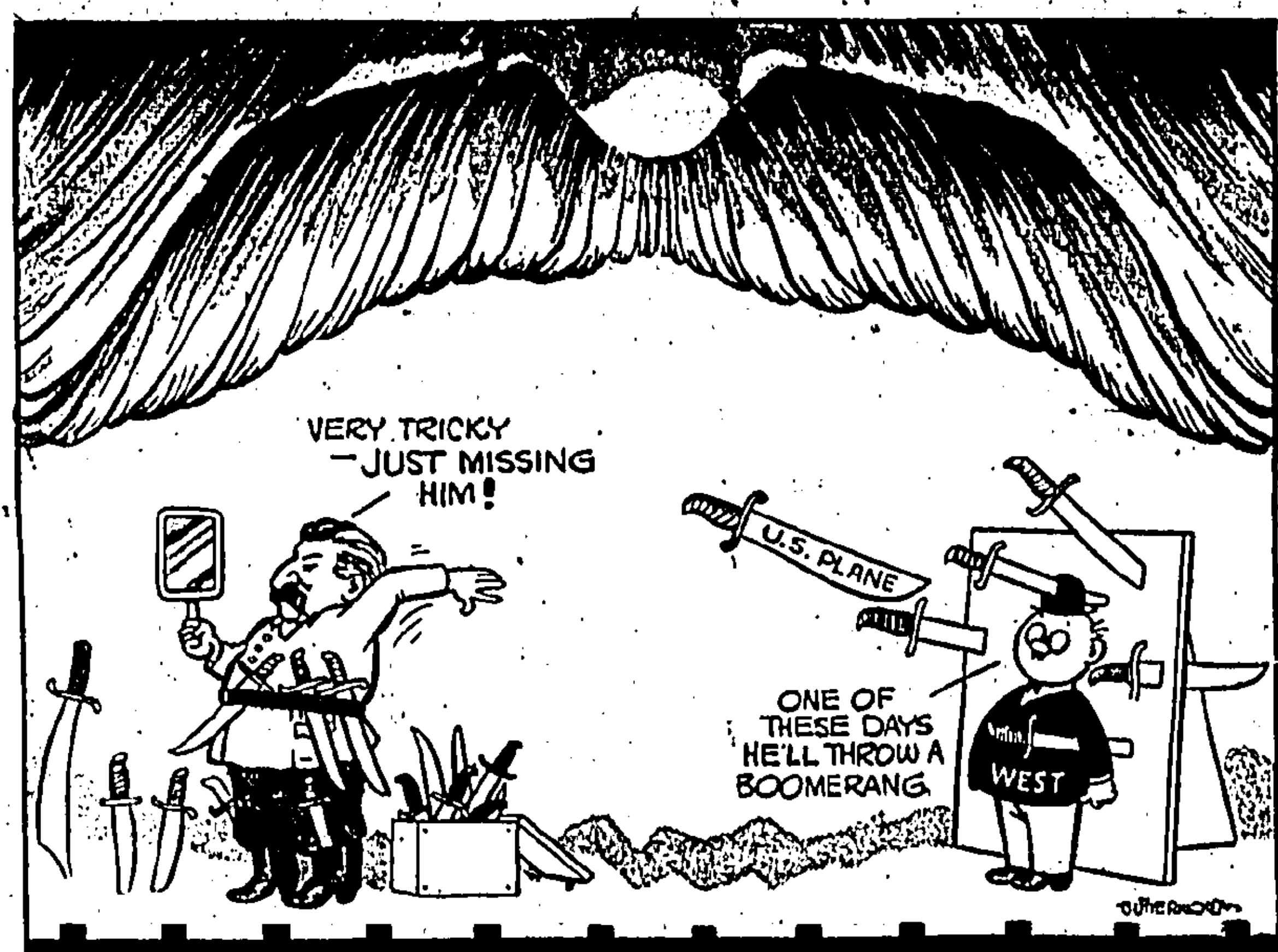
The Communist meeting had been arranged in protest following recent riots at Brest.—Reuter.

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CURTAIN UP AGAIN

ADENAUER GOVERNMENT PLUNGED INTO CRISIS

Frankfurt, April 23.

The West German Chancellor, Konrad Adenauer, said tonight that the Allied veto of the tax law has plunged his seven-month-old Government into the gravest crisis, and he charged that the High Commissioners had acted beyond their competence.

The West German political leader said in a telephone interview that he had summoned financial experts for an emergency meeting tomorrow to discuss the situation. He indicated that his Government might resign.

"There is no use trying to hide the fact that the situation is very serious, and generally the Cabinet will have to face the most critical situation since its foundation. If the High Commissioners do not retract the veto, I don't see any way out—our financial foundation will be shaking."

Dr. Adenauer confronted the Western Allies with severe criticism of their "psychological treatment."

At a meeting last night, he delivered his bitterest speech since he was elected Chancellor.

He said the veto of the income tax law had embittered the German Parliament. He predicted that if the question of Germany accepting an invitation to join the Council of Europe should come up at this time, the invitation would be rejected.

The Chancellor said these four questions were causing friction between West Germany and the Western Allies:

Security pledge

1. The vetoed tax laws.
2. The four-month delay by the Allies in answering West Germany's demand for a security pledge. He emphasised that Germany did not want to become a "war centre" and said the Allies had still not given him any assurances against it.
3. The steel quota.
4. Inclusion of Germany and the Saar in the Council of Europe.

Meanwhile, the High Commissioners said they are willing to consider a cut in the German income tax if the Germans submit measures which will provide a substitute revenue.

Allied statement

The Allied High Commission declared today that the new German tax law which it provisionally voted three days ago violated the Marshall Aid agreement between West Germany and the United States.

The High Commission, in a letter to the Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, published here today, said that the tax law contravened that part of the agreement in which the German Government pledged itself to maintain financial stability and balanced budgets as soon as practicable.

MOVE IN MALAYA FORECAST

London, April 23.

The mass circulation "News of the World" today predicted new developments in the Malaya situation.

The newspaper said that the new Minister of War, Mr. John Strachey, anxious to retrieve the blots on his career, is planning new moves to deal with the increasing disquiet about Malaya.

The use of Australian troops in Malaya might light new flames through the whole of Eastern Asia. Professor William McMahon, a member of the Allied Control Council in Japan, said in a broadcast in Melbourne tonight.

The situation would immediately come to be regarded not as a domestic British issue in which the established authorities are trying to restore law and order, but as an international political issue.

Many Malaysians, who have given full support to the British, are still smarting from a sense of insult at Australia's immigration policy. The use of Australian troops might lose the British the moral support of these people, Professor McMahon said.

Forty-one European civilians, 525 Chinese, 128 Malays, 46 Indians, eight Indonesians and 43 Sakai (aboriginals) civilians were killed by Communist terrorists up to March 31, it was officially announced in Singapore today.

Missing are 100 Chinese, 63 Malays, four Indians and 48 Sakai civilians.

Police and Army units killed a total of 1,150 terrorists in the same period, 1,084 of whom were Chinese, and captured 636.

Police casualties were 327 killed and 357 wounded. Army casualties were not given.—Reuter and Associated Press.

ENVOY ILL

Rangoon, April 23.
So Nyun, the Burmese Ambassador in Washington, is ill, and will return here next week. He is expected in Rangoon on Thursday.

It is rumoured that his place will be taken by Mahn Win Naung, the Burmese Minister of Transport.—Reuter.

UN EXPERT FOR FAR EAST

Lake Success, April 24.

A statistical expert of the United Nations Secretariat, Dr. Abraham Aidenoff, is leaving today for Pakistan, Burma and Thailand to advise on the organisation of statistical services in those countries.

Another United Nations expert, Dr. Ansgar Rosenberg, is leaving for Indonesia tomorrow to carry out a preliminary exploratory mission under the United Nations technical assistance programme.

Dr. Aidenoff will submit to the Governments of Pakistan, Burma and Thailand statistical programmes suitable to their economic development.

All three countries had asked for guidance in building up statistical services. Dr. Aidenoff will make Bangkok his headquarters and is expected to remain on his job for a year in the first instance.

Dr. Rosenberg will be joined in Indonesia by other United Nations experts and they are expected to carry out a general survey of the country's needs in the technical field.—Reuter.



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DRASTIC INCREASE IN CRIME IN BRITAIN

—London, April 24.

This once law-abiding country is suffering a plague of teen-age mobsters. They roam city streets singly and in gangs. Today's newspaper reports a suburban theatre performance stopped while police chivvied rioters from among the audience and fought with them in the street. London was once the safest city in the world. The city's most loyal defenders would not make that claim today.

A WHALE OF A MESS

Straonsay, Orkney Islands, April 23.

The harbour master of this little fishing village sent out a call for help today. The town has 96 whales stranded on the beach and does not know what to do with them.

Seventy-six mammals died overnight since the school was stranded in the sand by an exceptionally high tide yesterday and the others are threatening their huge tails and kicking up spray and sand in death throes.

S. Clements, the harbour master, sent out a plea for Scandinavian whalers to come and get an estimated 250 tons of whale meat. T. J. Barry, district sanitary inspector, said the town has no bull dozers to remove the whales and sent an appeal to the British Ministry of Health.

There is a whale for every 10 people in this little town. Although all the men here are fishermen, they are not accustomed to taking on fish of this size.

Mr. Clements said there is no hope of the 20 still alive getting back to the sea. He said, "They are in such a tight bunch that the dead ones will stop all chances the weak but still living whales have."

Ranging in size from 12 to 28 feet in length, the whales lie in an area of less than half a square mile.

"There is no smell yet, but wait a week," said Mr. Clements. —United Press.

U.S. MEMORIAL TO GANDHI

Washington, April 23.

Plans for constructing the Mahatma Gandhi memorial in Washington are being actively taken up. Representatives of the Memorial Foundation are here to meet the Fine Arts Commission of Washington, D.C., in whose hands lies the final decision regarding the site.

The Commission has offered what is considered an attractive site adjoining the present property of the Embassy of India, at 2700 Macomb Street.

The site, consisting of an area of three acres, is partly United States Government property and partly privately-owned. The privately-owned part of the land will have to be purchased by the Foundation.

The proposed site is said to have many advantages. Points in its favour include: it adjoins the property of the Government of India; arrangements could be made for an easy access from the Embassy grounds to the memorial; it has a central location, easily accessible by street transport; the memorial building, perched on an elevation of 300 feet and overlooking a well-wooded valley, would look very impressive. —Reuter.

SOVIET PLOT IN SOUTH AMERICA

Buenos Aires, April 23.

Evidence of the establishment of a "Soviet Union of South America" was found among Communist documents seized by the Bolivian police, a pro-Government newspaper reported today. The "Noticias Graficas" said in a special despatch from La Paz, Bolivian capital, that the documents show that the central committee of the alleged union is functioning in Uruguay. —United Press.

The London Bobby with his kettle hat and cheerful manner still patrols his beat with neither gun nor knife to protect himself and the citizenry.

Weapons of the young hoodlums and their girls range from razors to knuckle-dusters, black jacks and a peculiarly vicious instrument contrived from a bicycle chain.

The chain may have a short handle to it or merely be wrapped at one end with heavy tape beyond which is 10 to 12 inches of flexible steel lash. Even this weapon has been refined by London's teenage tough guys. They file the tip of the chain into jagged teeth.

Young girls sometimes join up with the young mobsters who go out to maim and rob for money, liquor, clothes and dance halls. Sides of the young men of these packs dressed in the exaggerated zoot style favoured by young American playboys.

To a visitor returned to London after an absence of nearly 30 years, the criminal violence reported daily by the Press is shocking, almost unbelievable.

Just kids

It recalls the bad old prohibition days in Chicago or New York, but with a difference. These London mobsters really are just kids.

In the London of the early 1920's crimes of violence were few. Punishment was almost inevitable, and it was without exception, severe. In the 1940's the penalty for murder, and not more than one in 100 escaped it over a period of years.

For violent crime such as the sluggings and maiming now so prevalent here, the penalty could be and often was the whip. The British whip was a cut of nine tails.

It was said with considerable evidence that a man once flogged with it would avoid a flogging offence in the future. The Socialist Government which came into power in 1945 was committed by its intellectual leadership to abolish both flogging and the death penalty for murder.

Judges' opinion

Handling survived, but under conditions which make it considerably more likely now that a convicted murderer sentenced to die on the gallows will obtain the clemency of a life sentence instead. But the Government did abolish the whip.

There is great clamour in the United Kingdom now to restore the lash. The Press largely supports the effort to resume floggings for violent crime. The letters columns of the newspapers indicate public support.

The battering day after day impact of violent crime has persuaded several British judges to appeal from the Bench for authority again to sentence offenders to be whipped. The dispute has reached the House of Lords, where the Lord Chancellor, Viscount Jowitt, announced that the Labour Government would stand pat against flogging.

But pressure for the whip is increasing. Lord Jowitt suggested that the public should wait through this year and into next in hope that the tide of violent crime would recede.

Lord Goddard, the Lord Chief Justice, spoke for the Bench. He warned the Government that if the crime wave continued the public demand for flogging would be overwhelming.

"Then it must be applied," Lord Goddard said. "I hope it will not be too late."

Steady increase

Viscount Jowitt's expectation that the crime wave will abate

this year or next is not well supported by the available facts. There has been a steady increase in crimes of almost all kinds in Great Britain over the past 50 years.

From 1940 to 1948 crimes of violence against persons increased from 2,424 to 5,183. In 1920 crimes of all kinds recorded in the United Kingdom numbered 113,986. Ten years later the annual count was 303,771. In 1942 the figure had risen only slightly to 303,114. In 1948 British police reported more than 523,000 crimes. The year 1950 may see the figure exceed 600,000.

Scotland Yard is the nerve centre of Britain's battle against crime. The emergency services answer up to no. 999.

Anywhere in Great Britain those three numbers will instantly reach the police, fire and ambulance services. In the Scotland Yard wire room there is a constant clamour of calls, spitting crime or suspected crime in the Metropolitan area. For Buckingham Palace in the city and Windsor Castle, the Royal Family's country place, there is a special watch and alarm. An emergency call from either place would put a great army of civil officers in movement.

British justice admits itself baffled by the adolescent mobsters.

Becoming terrified

"I suppose," Lord Goddard said in a discussion of the problem, "there is nothing that is agitating the public so much now as the amount of crime among adolescents."

He conceded the impossibility of punishing young people.

"The worst that can happen to a young criminal is to be sentenced to a reformatory," he said. "I cannot see any element of punishment in that."

From the Opposition bench in the House of Lords Conservative Earl Howe said: "It is a fact that people are becoming terrified. You are faced with the possibility that the people will take the law into their own hands."

Lord Goddard reminded the Labour Lords that he had opposed abolition of the whip in 1948 and that he had predicted that crimes of violence would multiply when the lash was put by. His Lordship had the headlines in any day's newspaper to prove that he had been correct in that prediction. —United Press.

AURIOL APPEAL TO FRENCHMEN

Lorient, April 23.

The President of the French Republic, M. Vincent Auriol, said here today that permanent agitation and sabotage are retarding the reconstruction of the country, prolonging the misery of the poor and weakening France in the eyes of foreign countries.

The President was speaking after promoting the much-damaged port to the Legion of Honour.

It would be dangerous to conceal the revolution now going on in social organisation, M. Auriol said, or to think that one class could continue to dominate another. But progress could only be based on order.

"A democracy where the violence of a minority over-rides the freedom of the citizens and flouts the law is a democracy only in name," M. Auriol said.

"A dictatorship, which is never that which the fanatics hope, may result and make these fanatics regret the liberties and laws they have destroyed."

The President appealed for co-operation between all social classes. —Reuter.

Concentration!



These close-up photographs show Marianne Allwright, aged 6½, during a friendly match at St. Bride's Institute, Fleet Street, London. Marianne was the youngest player in the British Girls' Chess Championships at St. Bride's. Taught by her 11-year-old brother Barrie, Marianne says that she prefers chess to dolls. She lives at Finchley, North London. Photos show: top left: a pause to deliberate once again on the consequences of the move. Top right: a mental review of the game as Marianne ponders the next move. Bottom left: a glance of frank approval at an astute move by her opponent. Bottom right: Marianne gazes wistfully at the chessboard as she loses one of her pieces. (AP Photo).

Amateur building a flying saucer

San Francisco, April 24.

Armed with a butcher's saw, a paring knife and some balsa wood, a 31-year-old house painter has set out to build a "real flying saucer."

After four-and-a-half months' work, Tony Alani revealed his partially completed "saucer", about seven feet in diameter.

"It's a real saucer," he said, "not a disc like some have built."

Alani modelled his saucer by pluing two saucers (coffee type) face to face. The outer frame model looks like a multiple-spoked giant wheel. Later he hopes to attach an engine after covering the saucer with model plane paper.

No experience

A friend's excitement over "flying saucer" reports gave Alani the urge to build one to show people what a saucer really looks like.

Alani never had any engineering experience. He never built model planes as a boy. In fact, he hasn't even any drawing plans. He began by tossing plates in the air and then started moulding appendages on them.

Alani's model just about fills his apartment living room. The saucer model has cost about \$70 so far and Alani thinks it will be double that before he is finished.

Most of the additional sum will go for a model plane motor, mounted in the centre. Alani said he will use delicate gears to reduce engine turns to 800 revolutions per minute.

Normally, that type of engine turns at 8,000 r.p.m.'s. Alani thinks that slanted ducts will draw the air in at the top and expel it at the bottom as the umbrella-shaped model rotates.

"That's my main theory on what is going to raise the thing," he said.

Gears for motion

How will it go forward? "That's easy," the painter smiled. "I'll run gears down from the engine to propellers. They will give it forward motion, and counteract the torque caused by the rotating saucer."

LEOPOLD ISSUE UNSOLVED

Brussels, April 23.

The Catholic Premier-designate, M. Paul Van Zeeland, will meet new difficulties in forming a Cabinet even if Belgium's three main parties agree to a formula for exiled King Leopold to give up the throne temporarily to his son, observers stated today.

The three Parties — Catholic, Socialists and Liberals — have agreed in principle to implement the Monarch's own plan for solving Belgium's five-year-old "Royal question."

Their delegates met again today to thrash out final details of the compromise, which has run into heavy weather about what the King should do while 10-year-old Prince Baudouin temporarily occupies the throne.

Socialists and Liberals say that Leopold should return to provisional exile immediately after delegating power.

The Catholics, the only Party wholly favouring the King's return, say what the King does is entirely up to him.

Leopold himself, according to a note given to the Socialist leader, M. Paul Spaak, yesterday by M. Van Zeeland, envisages a prolonged journey through the Belgian Congo.

This itself has brought snags. Socialists and Liberals want him to travel incognito, the Catholics as a Sovereign.

But even if these problems are overcome at the three-Party round-table conference, other problems await M. Van Zeeland.

The Catholics claim that when the King is called back to Belgium to hand over his prerogatives to his son he must also be received with Royal honours. But Socialists oppose any return in State. In this case, they say, they will counter-demonstrate.

Finally, the Liberals want the outgoing Catholic-Liberal coalition to continue under the former Premier, M. Gaston Eyskens. On the other hand, M. Paul Seghers, Catholic Minister of Communications in the Cartier Cabinet, has said that he would never join a Government planned to banish the King.

"We want the King to stay in Belgium so that he can, if need be, guide the first steps of the youthful, non-experienced Prince," M. Seghers said. —Reuter.

ENVOYS' BOYCOTT

Jerusalem, April 23.

Members of the Diplomatic Corps boycotted an official reception given here tonight by Premier David Ben-Gurion to mark the second anniversary of Israel's formation as a State.

The reason was that they refuse to recognise Jerusalem as capital of Israel.

In his nation-wide broadcast earlier this evening, Mr. Ben-Gurion declared that Jerusalem had now become Israel's capital in fact and in practice.

But this morning the Diplomatic Corps presented their congratulations to President Chaim Weizmann at his residence at Rehovoth, near Tel-Aviv. —Reuter.

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AMERICAN TRIBUTE TO "COURAGE OF ISRAEL"

New York, April 23.

The "New York Times" said today that Israel, though born in the fires of war, surrounded by enemies and attacked by neighbours, had earned its place in the world through the courage, endurance and devotion of its people. In a leading article on Israel's second anniversary, the "Times" declared.

Its first two years have been tempestuous, and while Israel's difficulties and sacrifices are by no means over, there is no longer doubt—if there ever was any—that here is a nation founded upon rock and not upon sand. The pressures of this infant nation, at least of which is the military threat from its Arab neighbours—have imposed an almost unbearable strain on its economy. Outside help is still essential. That help has been freely given, both from private

sources and from such public bodies as the Export-Import Bank, which has made a \$100,000,000 loan to Israel.

"While Israel has not been faultless in every aspect of its relation with the United Nations, it must be recognized that it has been forced to live almost from one crisis to another, and in a bitterly hostile environment.

"Israel is unquestionably a shining outpost of Democracy in the Middle East, a proud and independent nation to which many friends in the United States wish a happy birthday, with long years of peace and prosperity to come."

U.S. interest

Mr. Herbert Lehman, a Senator, of New York, said in Washington that it is in the United States' national interest that a strong and democratic Israel be maintained as a living answer to Communism in the Middle East.

Mr. Lehman said that the people of the new nation look forward to years of prosperity and happiness.

"We in the United States who can justifiably claim much credit for the independence of Israel send a message to these courageous people," he added.

"We should say that this nation does not intend to permit a new outbreak of the terrible conflict in that area which disturbed the world three and four years ago."

"We can say to them that it is indeed in our national interest that a strong, vigorously democratic Israel be maintained and encouraged in every possible way as a living answer to Communism in the Middle East," he said.

CHANGE DUE IN PORTUGAL

Lisbon, April 23.

Portugal's corporative system, under attack from the Press and the National Assembly, is due for a change.

Amendments to a bill now before the Assembly will make the system more flexible, providing for rise within framework, on basis of merit.

Autonomy will be granted to managers and owners to run their businesses as they see fit, and the conditions of admission for clerks and other functionaries will be made easier. A previous bill required clerks to have diplomas from clerical schools.

The Lisbon newspaper "O Seculo" had criticized the system for "forgetting realities and national needs, taking from consumer, producer and distributor alike, and buying with its ill-gotten gain luxurious offices which scandalized everyone."

United Press.

Adam also had a daughter, Noaba

New York, April 24.

Adam, a man of parts, did more than just beget Cain, Abel, and Seth. He had a daughter named Noaba.

The Bible says nothing about Noaba. Her existence is alleged, however, by a Biblical historian whose work was brought to light in a book just published.

The history goes far beyond the Bible. Its author enlarges and embroiders Bible stories. He names names from Adam to Noah. He gives not only the names and ages of the parent and firstborn which the Bible gives—he goes on with number and names of other children where the Bible only says: "and he begot sons and daughters."

The history, rooted in ancient Jewish tradition and legend and containing some of the author's own inventions, was written originally in Hebrew by a few in Palestine about 70 AD. It elaborates greatly on the story of the tower of Babel, says Pharaoh's daughter named the child she had found Moses because his mother had called him

Metichiel, and tells a remarkable story about a Judge, Kenoz, who is mentioned only by name in the Bible. The work, whose author is unknown, is published in its complete Latin text—in a study and analysis of the manuscript by Dr. Guido Kisch, visiting professor of history at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in New York.

Kisch worked from a hitherto unknown 900-year-old Latin manuscript, the oldest and most complete and accurate version of the history known as "Biblical Antiquities."

The author is now referred to as pseudo-Philo because in the Middle Ages the author through error was thought to be the Jewish philosopher Philo of Alexandria.

Translations lost
The original Hebrew version was translated soon after 70 AD into Greek, and in that form the Catholic Church copied and disseminated it. Both Hebrew and Greek translations were lost more than 1,000 years ago. But there were several Latin translations. The present manuscript was copied from an older one in the Austrian monastery of Admont and was preserved there nearly 900 years until the Nazis entered Austria.

It was sent to a London dealer and then purchased by a New York collector. Dr. Kisch has studied it 10 years. The disclosure of his findings is in his new book, "Pseudo-Philo's Liber Antiquitatum Biblicarum," published by the University of Notre Dame Press.

Dr. Kisch's study is intended for scholars. He said the Admont version is superior to all other known manuscripts or fragments in having more correct readings, fuller passages, and fewer corruptions. His is the first edition of "Antiquities" published with the aid of manuscripts since a faulty version brought out in Basel in 1527.

The history is contemporary with some of the New Testament writings. Dr. Kisch said it throws light on the religious thought of the Jews of the period and the origins of Christianity. The author's purpose was to interest the reader, religiously through a lively account of Israelite history.

"The work shows there was not a very great difference in Christians and Jews in those days," Dr. Kisch said. "The Church saved this manuscript, and it was copied by monks. It helps us tell how Jews and Christians at the time were thinking."—United Press.

Illegal landing in Philippines

Manila, April 24.

An unconfirmed Press report said today that an unidentified motorboat flying two red flags was sighted on April 19 off the North coast of Cagayan province, in North Eastern Luzon, and that an undetermined number of Chinese landed at a point on the coast on April 22.

The report, which came from Tuguegarao, capital of Cagayan, said Constabulary patrols were sent out to the coast.—United Press.

PERSECUTION STORY DENIED

Bogota, April 23.

The Colombian Foreign Minister, Senor Evaristo Cordero, today denied allegations by an American clergyman that Protestants are being persecuted in Colombia.

The clergyman, Mr. Daniel Patterson, recently visited Latin America, and drew up an 11-point statement alleging the persecution.

In a note to the Colombia Ambassador in Washington, the Foreign Minister declared that there is no persecution. He added that the Minister of Education, Senor Manuel Mosquera Garces, had often complained of Protestant propaganda in certain districts, which contravened the Colombian Concordat with the Catholic Church, under which missions in these areas are specifically reserved to the Catholics.

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GOVERNMENT'S FATE TO BE DECIDED TOMORROW

London, April 23.

The fate of the Labour Government balances on a razor's edge this week, with the Conservatives in the evenly matched House of Commons out for the kill in Wednesday's crucial votes on the Budget.

Simultaneously, the two months-old administration is menaced by a crisis among its industrial following, where over 5,000,000 trade unionists are fighting the official wage freeze.

The Government recognised that its Parliamentary survival is a case of touch and go. It plans an immediate general election, if defeated in the critical Wednesday votes on increased petrol and new taxation payments.

The Government's continued existence may depend to some extent on whether the nine Liberals in Parliament vote for or against the Government.

Labour will assume their hostility and count only on its own following—who will be marshalled to the division lobbies.

The Conservatives may have some reservations about their own position in forcing a final showdown with the Government now.

Mr. Winston Churchill, the leader of the Conservatives, and his followers realise that fresh elections might produce another stalemate—with his Party in an even more precarious position than the Socialists today.

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men in other "Shadow" portfolios. Mr. Duncan Sandys, a leading figure in the European Movement, is named for the Works Department and Mr. Peter Thorneycroft, another young politician, for Transport.

Among more senior Conservatives, Sir David Maxwell Fyfe, the famous lawyer, retains the chairmanship of the Labour Committee.

Mr. Osbert Peake is mentioned for the Home Office and Mr. Alan Lomax-Boyd for Civil Aviation.—Reuter.

ELECTIONS IN TURKEY

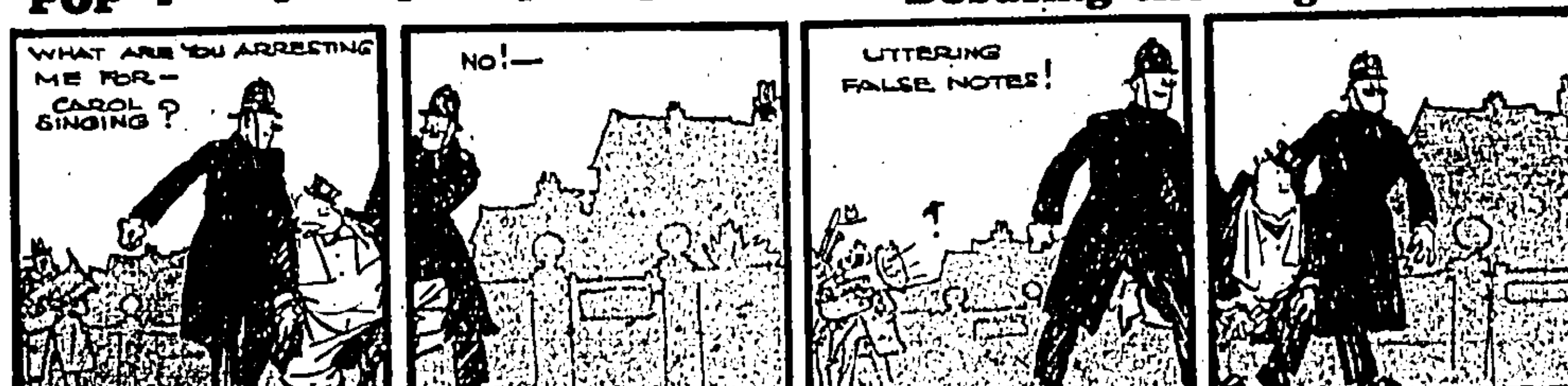
Istanbul, April 23.

The list of candidates issued today for the Turkish general election on May 14 shows a sweeping purge in the ranks of the Popular Republican (Government) Party deputies to the National Assembly.

Forty-two per cent of the present deputies were not selected for candidature. Party spokesmen explained this was because 70 per cent of the candidates were chosen by constituency organisations and 30 per cent by the Central Committee, instead of all being chosen centrally as hitherto.

Opposition circles comment that the Government Party is seeking new blood because of the widespread dissatisfaction with the Administration's record.—Reuter.

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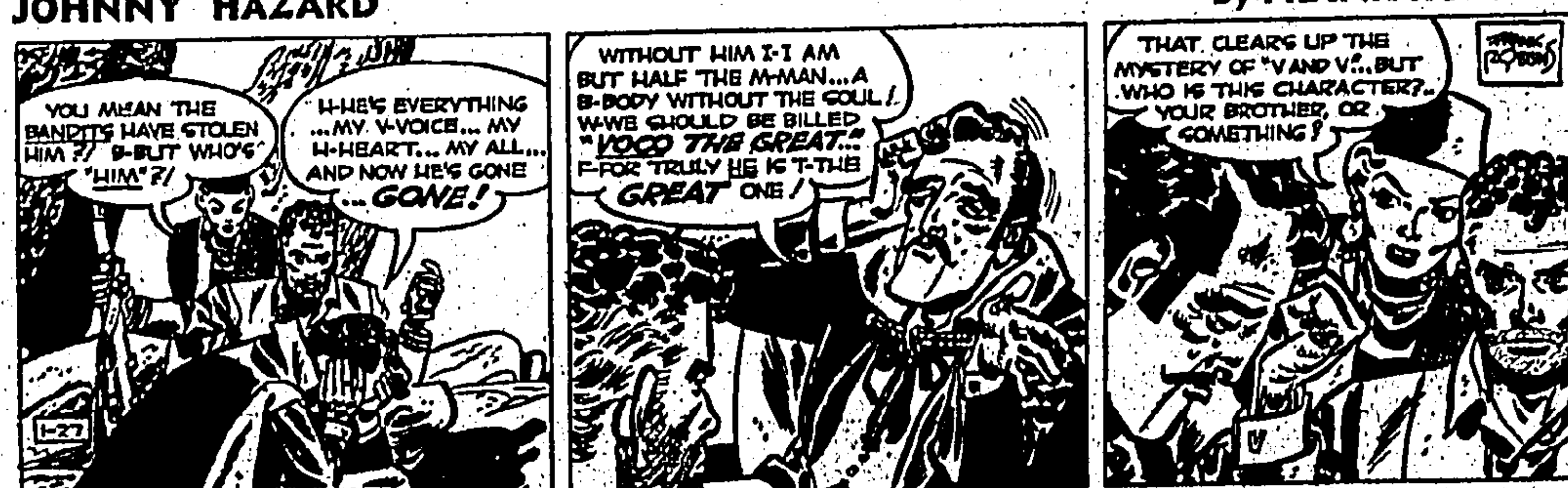
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Meaning of Anzac Day

On April 25, 1915, 35 years ago, the quiet of dawn pervaded the beaches of Gallipoli. Off shore British warships, dimly seen through the ground mist, edged gently towards the shore. A rattle, a splash—and an inferno broke loose.

The Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, fresh from training in Egypt and under the command of General W. R. Birdwood, had begun their landing under the fire of the Turks, who were well-entrenched on the high ground overlooking the beaches. Thus Anzac Day was born. It was a bitter travail for the men, who took part in it, in which they fought their way through a hell of fire until at last they established a beach-head. Eight bitter months later, after sustaining many heavy casualties, they were withdrawn. The Gallipoli landing had failed to achieve its object, but its memory is kept alive in the hearts of the Australian people.

In Australia today April 25 is greeted with reverence by the whole country. Every young Australian is taught its meaning from his earliest schooldays and every year the people thrill again to the courage and sacrifice of their countrymen. Anzac Day is not a day of sorrow for a defeat, nor a day of rejoicing for a victory. It is more than either of these. It is the day when Australia, through the sweat and blood of its manhood, proved its right to stand as a member of the family of nations, and thus the name Anzac has come to be a symbol of nationhood.

Throughout the Commonwealth, April 25 is observed as a public holiday. But it lacks the normal holiday spirit. For instead of going to the beaches or for picnics in the country, Australians through the streets of their cities and towns to see the march of the ex-Servicemen. In and out of uniform, with their medals and ribbons a blaze of colour across their left breasts, the men and women of the Australian armed forces swing through the streets to the stirring music of the bands. The crowds lining the route clap—sometimes cheer—but there are more sorrowful faces than joyful

ones, for the people are remembering—remembering the lives that have been lost in two world wars.

Prideful sorrow

For through the years, Anzac Day has come to have much more than its original meaning. To present-day Australians it means the gallantry of youth, ready to sacrifice their lives at their country's call, the prideful sorrow of the women who have lost their loved ones, and above all, the hope and prayer that, after two frightful conflicts, the peoples of the world may some day learn to live at peace with themselves.

As the marching men near the Cenotaph, there are some whose footsteps begin to flag, for though their hearts are youthful still, the older veterans are beginning to feel their years. There are not a great number of the original Anzacs left now—only one they are drifting out of the ranks and their places are taken by the younger men who fought

in World War Two. But they have not been forgotten. At the Cenotaph in every Australian city and town, a non-denominational service is held, after which the people file past in a long line to lay their wreaths by the Stone of Remembrance until all available space is piled high with flowers and the air is filled with their fragrance.

In the far-flung places of the world, in the cities of other countries, in every place where Australians and New Zealanders are to be found, they gather together on April 25 each year and take part in a special Anzac Day service. In Hong Kong this year, Australians and New Zealanders held their Anzac Commemoration Service at the Cenotaph last Sunday, at 10 a.m., to pay grateful homage to the illustrious dead of two world wars, and to pray that never again will it be necessary to send the best of their young men and women to spend their life-blood on the grim fields of war.

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Lesson 34 (G)

Vocabulary:

177. (ngaam) ngaam(1)

178. (kan) gun(2)

179. (tsai) dzoy(3)

180. (hat) hut(1)

Combinations:

7. (1)M ngaam(1).

8. Ngaam(1) ngaam(1).

9. Gun(2) yeeo(3).

10. (1)M or (2)moh) gun(2)-yeeo(3).

General Expressions:

60. Shau(1) may(1).

61. Ganyo(1) been(1).

Examples:

1. (2)Kui (1)lai-gun(2).

2. (2)Kui (3)shik-gun(2).

(3)faan.

A Story: (Continued)

48. (2)Kui, hut(2)-don(3).

(3)dal-saam(1)-gaw(3).

(1)pong-(2)you ook(1)-kay(2).

49. Gaw(2)-(3)jun-(1)shue,

(2)kui (3)dal-saam(1)-gaw(3).

(1)pong-(2)you ook(1)-kay(2).

50. (2)Kui (3)shik-gun(2).

(3)faan.

51. (2)Kui (3)shik-gun(2).

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52. (2)Kui (3)shik-gun(2).

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(3)faan.

Correct. Exact. Right. Tight. Urgent. Important. An auxiliary expressing "in the process of".

Again.

To beg.

Incorrect. It's wrong. You're wrong.

Exactly. Just (now or then).

Important. Importance.

It's not important.

It's of no importance.

It doesn't matter.

Never mind.

Finally.

The pavement.

He is coming.

He is on his way here.

He is eating a meal. (the action of eating is still being carried on)

He came to (reached) a third friend's home.

Just when his third friend was eating his meal.

He said:

"How convenient, I haven't had my meal yet."

But his third friend said to him:

"Who are you?"

I don't know you!

Please don't come here again."

Not one of his friends was pleased to see him.

None of them liked him.

He wanted to look for a job.

But nobody would employ him.

because he didn't know how to work.

He didn't know what to do.

Finally, he was on the streets (pavement) begging for money.

but his third friend saw him any.

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Propaganda in China

San Francisco, April 25. Peking Radio reported today that a great expansion of the Chinese Communist propaganda work will be undertaken.

It said that a journalists' conference just concluded in Peking decided that many more radio receivers are needed throughout China in order to disseminate reports from the central transmitter in Peking.

The Communist broadcast said there are now 253 newspapers in China, two-thirds of which are dailies and an estimated 1,000,000 radio receivers and they are planning to establish monitoring in schools and factories as well as army units.—United Press.

RADIO

Radio Hong Kong broadcasts on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

H.K.T.

12.10—Broadcast for Schools—History—"I Was There"—The Glorious Revolution (DUETS)

12.30—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

12.32—"Light Piano Parade"—With Patricia Rosborough.

12.45—Melodies from British Radio—George Grouse and His Blue Marina Dance Orchestra and Dava Bura Summer (DUETS)

1.15—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.25—Interlude.

1.32—London Studio Melodies—The London Light Orchestra (DUETS)

2.00—Close Down.

6.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

6.02—Light Orchestral Selections.

6.20—Organ Solos.

6.30—"Cantonese by Radio"—Given by Miss Lee Wai Lun and B. A. Lee (Studio)

6.50—"Echoes of Harlem with Duke Ellington and His Orchestra and the Mills Brothers.

7.15—"Letter from America"—By All-star Combo (London Relay)

7.30—"Stage and Screen Favourites"—By All-star Combo (Studio)

8.00—World News and News Analysis (London Relay)

8.15—"Best of the Hammond Organ"—(Relay from the Forces Education Centre)

8.30—"The Blue Danube"—The True Story of the Strauss Family and their Contemporaries (Rn. 49)

9.00—"From the Editorials." (London Relay)

9.15—Weather Report.

9.15—"Forum of the Air"—Members: Marjory Allinson, P. S. Casimir, T. R. Russell, Guest: Ian Morrison.

9.30—"Correspondent for the Times." Question Master: Norman Taylor (Studio)

9.40—"Dancing Time"—With the Dance Orchestra of the South Staffordshire Regiment. (Relay from the Forces Education C.)

10.10—"Anzac Day"—Special Programme Arranged by Bill Phillips (Studio)

11.00—Radio News Reel (London Relay)

11.15—Weather Report, World News and Home News from Britain. (Recorded Relay)

God Save the King.

11.30—Close Down.

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"TJITJALENGKA"	1st Port	2nd Port	25th Apr.	1st May

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MANILA, EAST & SOUTH AFRICA & SOUTH AMERICA

Ship	In Port	1st May	6th May
"TJIBADANE"	In Port	1st May	6th May
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	18th May	1st June	1st June
"TEGELBERG"	18th May	1st June	1st June

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* Not calling Manila and accepting Cargo for East Africa & South America only.

JAPAN

Ship	4th May	16th May
"TJIBESAR"	4th May	16th May
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	30th May	1st June
"TEGELBERG"	30th May	1st June

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ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE

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m.v. "TONGHAI"	In Port	24th May
m.v. "DALI"	In Port	24th May

SAILINGS TO EUROPE

Ship	5th May	13th May	1st June
m.v. "HEMLAND"	5th May	13th May	1st June
m.v. "TONGHAI"	5th May	13th May	1st June
m.v. "DALI"	5th May	13th May	1st June

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

ANOTHER UPSURGE IN U.S. BUSINESS

ROLE OF WORLD BANK

Washington, April 23. The World Bank President, Eugene Black, predicted today that the international lending agency will steadily gain in importance as direct American foreign aid programmes, such as the Marshall Plan, come to an end.

He discussed the Bank's role in world affairs in a radio interview. In the meantime the Bank issued a financial statement showing that it has made a total of 24 reconstructions and development loans totalling \$744,450,000 since it was established at the Bretton Woods conference of 1944. Of the total loan commitments \$594,080,288 were already paid out.

The Bank's net income during the nine months ended on March 31 was reported at \$9,856,856. Mr. Black said the Bank was never meant to meet the emergency situation which prevailed in Western Europe after the war and it was necessary to launch the European recovery programme to fill the gap.

He said, "The Bank was created to meet long term needs which will remain in Europe when the present emergency is over. As cutbacks take place in the amounts of aid provided through the ERP it is logical to assume that ERP countries will look to the Bank and to private investors as the principal sources of foreign capital they need for sound long-term investment projects."

The Bank is placing main emphasis on development loans, and he forecast that President Truman's "Point Four" programme will make it easier for the Bank to do its job by providing well-planned projects and technical skill needed to carry them through.—United Press.

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"Third quarter bookings on other than light flat rolled tonnage from regular customers are expected to support steel-making close to capacity well into August."

"A startlingly insatiable demand by the car industry plus pressure from miscellaneous manufacturing and building, calling for steel in increasing demand,"—Associated Press.

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Engineering construction contracts totalled \$183,708,000 against \$177,501,000 last week and \$107,322,000 a year ago.

A sharp increase in bank clearings and demand deposits and substantial decline in loans by banks are the principal changes on the financial side of the ledger.—Associated Press.

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The statement stressed that unemployment, however, is still serious.—Reuter.

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

The Market was very quiet. Canton Insurance Office Ltd. declared a dividend of \$5 per share free of tax.

The Hong Kong Stock Exchange closed at noon yesterday, as a mark of respect to the late Mr. P. Tester, the senior Member of the Exchange.

H.K. GOVT. LOANS

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3 1/2% Loan (1948 & 1949)	90%
3 1/2% Loan (1948) 90%	

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H.K. & S. Bank 128 1/2	
(Lon. Reg.) 67 1/2	
Chartered Bank 29 3/10	
Mercantile Bk. A. & S. 122 1/2	
Bank of East Asia 10 1/2	

INSURANCES

Canton Ins. 215 1/2	
Union Ins. 58 1/2	
China Underwriters 5 1/2	
H.K. Fire Ins. 20 1/2	

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Poulsen 200 1/2	
H.K. & M. Steamships 11 1/2	
Indo China (Pref.) 8 1/2	
(Del.) 200 1/2	
Shells (Board) 61 1/2	
U. Waterboats Ex. Div. 2 1/2	
Asia Nav. 8 1/2	
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, Etc.	
H.K. & S. Wharves 9 1/2	
North Point Wharves 5 1/2	
Sh. Hongkong Wharves 10 1/2	
H.K. Docks 17 1/2	
China Providents 10 1/2	
Shanghai Dockwards 3 1/2	
Wharves 20 1/2	

MINING

Rap. Mines 4 1/2	
H.K. Mines 6 1/2	
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.	
H. & S. Hotels 9 1/2	
H.K. Lands 4 1/2	
Sh. Lands 1 1/2, 1 1/2, 1 1/2, 1 1/2	
Humphreys 9 1/2	
H.K. Recluse 2 1/2	
Chinese Estate 12 1/2	

PUBLIC UTILITIES

H.K. Tramways 11 1/2, 11 1/2, 11 1/2	
Peak Trams (Old) 18 1/2	
(New) 9 1/2	
Star Ferries 7 1/2	
C. Lights (Old) 11 1/2	
(New) 9 1/2	
H.K. Electric 24 1/2	
Macao Electric Ex. Div. 1 1/2	
Sandakan Lights 8 1/2	
Telephones 14 1/2	
Shanghai Gas 1 1/2	

INDUSTRIALS

Cald. Macc. (Ord.) 28 1/2	
Canton Ice 3 1/2	
Cement 11 1/2	
H.K. Ropes 14 1/2	

FOREX & C.

Dairy Farms 8 1/2, 8 1/2	
Wootons Ex. Rights 2 1/2, 2 1/2	
L. Crawford 2 1/2	
Sincere 8 1/2	
China Emporium 10 1/2	
Sun Co. Ltd. 2 1/2	
Kwong Sang Hong 10 1/2	
Wing On (H.K.) 7 1/2	
Wing On (S.H.K.) 8 1/2	
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MISCELLANEOUS

China Entertainment 14 1/2	
H.K. Constructions (O) 24 1/2	
(N) 13 1/2	
Vibro-Pillars 11 1/2	
Marsman Investments 9 1/2	
Marsman (H.K.) 7 1/2	
Shanghai Loan 1 1/2	
Yangtze 5 1/2	

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Exos 2 1/2	
RUBBER, etc. COMPANIES.	
Alma Estates 15 1/2	
Anglo-Dutch 30 1/2	
Anglo-Javas 1 1/2	
Batu Anans 15 1/2	
Bute Plantations 5 1/2	
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Chong Rubbers 10 1/2	
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Padang Rubbers 10 1/2	
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Samadaga Rubbers 6 1/2	
Semambu Rubbers 10 1/2	
Shanghai Rubber 4 1/2	
Shanghai-Malaya 10 1/2	
Shanghai-Pahang 7 1/2	
Sua Mangala 10 1/2	
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"BENVOIRICH"	"	27th May
"BENARTY"	"	1st June
"BENMACDHUI"	"	11th June
"BENALDER"	"	25th June

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"BENMACDHUI"	"	16th May
"BENNEVIS"	Glasgow, Liverpool, Avonmouth, Le Havre, & Hamburg	30th Apr.
"BENVOIR"	Glasgow, Liverpool, Avonmouth, Le Havre, & Hamburg	17th May
"BENARTY"	"	10th June
"BENMACDHUI"	Liverpool, Glasgow, Dublin, Havre, Antwerp & Rotterdam	3rd May
"BENVOIRICH"	"	30th May
"BENALDER"	"	29th June

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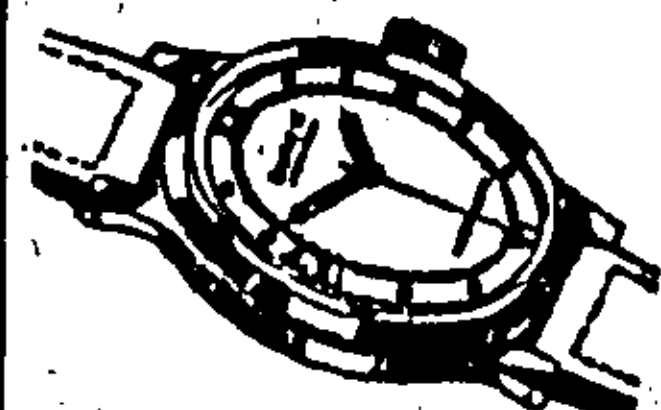
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MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, FRIDAYS

U.S. baseball:

PIRATES BEAT REDS;
RED SOX TROUNCE A'S

New York, April 23.

The Pittsburgh Pirates trampled Cincinnati 5-3 for their fifth win in a row today. Five walks in the sixth inning provided the Pirates' winning margin.

Pittsburgh centre-fielder Wally Westlake slammed his fourth home run in three days.

Bradman not
to answer
criticisms

Melbourne, April 25.

Sir Donald Bradman, the famous Australian cricketer, does not intend to issue any statement on the criticisms of his conduct by the former England captain, Lord Tennyson, in Tennyson's book "Sticky Wickets," to be published tomorrow.

Contacted by telephone at his Adelaide home today, Bradman said he had heard about Tennyson's remarks but "I have got nothing to say about it."

"The whole thing is only a repetition of a statement made by Lord Tennyson back in 1948," he declared. "It is two years old. I refused to make any comment at the time, and I refuse to make any comment now."

"The journalists who were there knew the facts of the case, and I have got nothing to say about it."

Lindsay Hassett, vice-captain of the 1948 Australian Test team in England, said: "Bradman always led the team efficiently and never at any time did he transgress the laws or spirit of the game. His team respected and liked him."

Hassett, who also captained the Australian team which recently returned from South Africa, added: "If he took exception to the incident at Lords, when he unsuccessfully tried to see Bradman, Lord Tennyson, having known that a Test captain's time is not his own, and he often cannot see a person when that person wants to see him."

Jack Ryder, the Australian Test selector who led Australia in the 1928-29 Tests here, said: "Bradman as a captain has always played the game hard but fairly. But I do not think he had played it harder than the majority of England's captains."

"Bradman, in his vast knowledge and experience, played the game right up to the hilt, which is quite in keeping with the true tradition of cricket."

"In my close association with him as Test selector I have always found him courteous and fair-minded."—Reuter.

Irish jumping
team wins

Nice, April 23.

The Irish jumping team today won the coveted Grand Prix des Nations at the Nice International Horse Show. The Spanish team was second and the Dutch and French teams shared third place.

Riders had to cover the 700-metre course, with 14 obstacles and 17 jumps, in less than 1 min. 52 sec.

The winning Irish team was Captain M. Tubridy, on Bruce, Captain Louis Magee, on Baldoy, Captain Colin Osher, on Ormonde, and Captain William Mullins, on Lough Neagh.

Captain Tubridy who completed the course in 1 min. 39 and one-fifth sec, won the prize for the best individual performance in the event.

ARDANLIGHT WINS
P.I. SWEEPSTAKES

Manila, April 24.

Ardan Light, bay colt with jockey, today finished 15 lengths ahead of a field of nine starters over a muddy track today to win the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes.

Ticket number 295,646, topped 150,000 pesos first prize. Bula finished second, giving 75,000 pesos to ticket 427,735. Mustang finished third with 27,500 pesos going to ticket 049,841.—Associated Press.

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Wimbledon
ban on
tennis "rests"

London, April 23.

Players who waste time by taking unauthorised "rests" during matches in the Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships this year will find umpires taking a firm stand to stamp out these actions.

The Management of the Wimbledon Championships have been concerned about the increasing number of players who delay matches and have asked the Umpires Association to take action.

Umpires are instructed to stop players from taking undue time with their towels, spectacles, drinks and "recovering" from falls between strokes.

The question of too long knock-ups before the game will also be dealt with.

An official of the Association said: "Three minutes only are allowed for a knock-up before a match, but there have been cases where this time limit has been exceeded. At the end of three minutes the umpires will ask players to start—and they will have to do so."

The Wimbledon Management have informed the Association that there should be no delay, except for a very brief period to enable a player to wipe the perspiration off his hands and face, would have the fullest support.

There have been cases of "resting" in a mild form in big Championships for many years, notably in the 1948 Wimbledon Championships, when Bob Falkenberg (United States) fell down several times during his semifinal match with his compatriot, Gardiner Mulloy, and was asked by the umpire to resume.

Falkenberg was also accused of "stalling" against the Australian, John Bromwich, whom he beat in the final.—Reuter.

Hawkins wins
U.S. golf
tournament

Virginia Beach, Virginia, April 23.

Fred Hawkins of El Paso, Texas, coupled a hot five under par second-round 64 with an even par final round today to win the U.S.\$10,000 Cavalier Specialists golf tournament with a 54-hole total of 200.

Jaunty Jimmy Demaret of Olaj, the favourite and joint holder of the lead, was beset by a plague of bogies going into the final round and staggered home with a four over par 73. He thus tied for fifth place with a total of 204.

Clayton Heffner of Charlotte, North Carolina, grabbed second place with a hot five under par final round 64, while the galleries watched the leaders. The husky Texan's two earlier rounds were even par for a 202 total.

Another North Carolinian, Johnny Palmer of Badin, also shot a 64 in the final round to tie for third place with Ted Kroll of Philmont, Pennsylvania, who toured the final 18 with an even par 69.

AMATEUR GOLFER
HANGS HIMSELF

Birkdale, England, April 23.

Ronald Hoyle, 30-year-old cotton broker and amateur golfer who once played in Britain's Walker Cup team, hanged himself yesterday.

His body was found by his wife in the garage behind his home. Hoyle appeared in an obituary notice in the local press.



Sir Arthur Moore presenting Yu Yiu-tak, captain of the Kit Chee XI with the First Division Soccer Championship Cup on the conclusion of Saturday's game between Kit Chee and the Rest. Kit Chee won 3-1.—("China Mail" photo).

Italians leading
in hazardous
Mille Miglia race

Rome, April 23.

Giannino Marzotto of Italy held first place with a slim lead of 21 seconds over his countryman, Dorino Serafini, with Juan Manuel Fangio of Argentina third as the leaders in the heavy car class of today's Mille Miglia (1,000 mile) race roared past Rome.

Marzotto, son of a wealthy textile manufacturer, was officially clocked past the Rome control point at 1319.45 GMT for an elapsed time of six hours, 55 minutes, 45 seconds and an average speed of 130.30 kilometres per hour. Serafini was clocked at 1329.06 GMT with an elapsed time of six hours, 56 minutes and six seconds and an average speed of 129.93 kilometres per hour.

Fangio, the Argentine ace, in his Alfa Romeo 2500 was timed at 1335.40 GMT for an elapsed time of seven hours, five minutes and 45 seconds and an average speed of 127 kilometres per hour.

Marzotto, who took the lead in the first leg of the race, and Serafini are both driving Ferrari 2400 cars.

Roads slippery from rain down the East side of the Italian coast and across to Rome—901 kilometres—had taken a toll of one life and left 11 injured.

Britons injured

The British motor racing driver, P. A. Woods, and his relief driver, Monkhouse, were seriously injured when their Healey car hurtled off the course near Padua. They were rushed to hospital.

Near Ferrara, two LaSalle "Aprillia" were in collision. The drivers and one mechanic were injured.

At Ferrara, a car overturned and rolled wildly off the road. The Italian driver was taken to hospital in a serious condition.

Mackie wins
Bogey Pool

Only one card was returned out of 10 entries for the Bogey Competition played on the Old Course at Fanning on Sunday.

As a result J. D. Mackie won the Bogey Pool with a card of 5 down.

The last Extra Day for the season was played last Thursday at Fanning.

The competition was an LGU Medal won by Mrs. J. Koteln with a net 71.

Mrs. S. A. Sleep and Mrs. M. Gairdner tied for runner-up with a net 73 each.

There were 34 entries for this final event which closed a most successful Fanning winter season. Entries for the Ladies Four-somes to be played at Deep Water Bay close on April 30. Members are to arrange their own partners for this event. The draw will be made and play will start in the first week in May.

A "Bombardier Competition" will open the Deep Water Bay Season on May 6, members should enter their names at Deep Water Bay or with the Secretary so that partners may be drawn for this day.

There will be a prize for the winner and also a "hidden" prize.

Merveil II
wins race
at Longchamp

Paris, April 23.

M. Marcel Boussac's four-year-old Merveil II, by Djebel out of Sumus, today won the Prix Jean Prat for four-year-olds and upwards, over one mile, seven furlongs at Longchamp.

He was having his first race since his victory in the King George VI Stakes at Ascot last October.

Carrying nine stone, two pounds, Merveil II was brought home by Rae Johnstone one and three-quarter lengths in front of Madame Leon Volterra's Espace Vital, with Madame Volterra's Val Drake a further two and a half lengths behind third in a field of six runners.

Espace Vital carried nine stone, seven pounds and Val Drake nine stone, two pounds.

The parimutuel dividends to a 10-franc stake were: win 87 francs, places 22 and 14.

M. Boussac also won the Prix Jean Prat for three-year-olds, in which Johnstone rode Janus to a three-lengths victory over North Wind, with L'Alphon III a further length behind third in a field of seven runners.

Janus started favourite and paid 15 francs on the parimutuel. The place dividends were 12 and 26 francs.—Reuter.

BOWLS PRACTICE

A lawn bowls practice match will be held at the Hong Kong Football Club on Thursday at 5.30 p.m.

Lawn bowls members of the Club have been requested to turn up for the practice match as the Club's teams for the opening games in the Lawn Bowls League will be selected.

Egyptians keen to
conquer Channel

Cairo, April 24.

Thirty-seven Egyptians yearn to swim the English Channel this summer. But only four, perhaps six, will qualify for this adventure, says Colonel Mohammed Sabri, chairman of the Egyptian Long Distance Swimming Committee.

Colonel Sabri, a doctor in the Egyptian Army medical corps, coached two channel winners last year—Hassan Abdel Rehim and Mervel Hassan. He also supervised the six-man relay team which swam the distance in 11 hours 11 minutes last year.

"Our efforts this year," Colonel Sabri said in an interview, "aim at two specific events—the competition organised by the London 'Daily Mail' and an international relay race."

The "Daily Mail" offers a £1,000 prize to each of the winners of a men's and women's France to England race.

Colonel Sabri plans to enter four men in the event. "The relay," Sabri said, "may develop into a four-nation race. Entries for the relay were agreed in principle to enter a team, Fernan Dumoulin, the Belgian who swam the channel in 1949, has promised to try to enlist a Belgian team. We have asked France to participate."

Sabri said he had suggested the relay be swum by teams of four men instead of six, but no decision has been made yet.

On April 14, the trial in the Nile was repeated, 18 miles this time, twice around Gezira. The final qualifying round will take place in the sea, at Alexandria on June 6. The distance will be 80 kilometres.

The usual route of the channel swimmers from Cape Gris Nez, France, to Dover, England, is 19 miles. The swimmers who turn in the best times, Sabri said, will go to a training camp. Late in June the Long Distance Swimming Committee will designate the five swimmers to be selected for the relay race.

NBA TO UPHOLD
SUSPENSION OF
MANUEL ORTIZ

Washington, April 23.

The National Boxing Association said here it would uphold any British suspension of the World Bantamweight Champion, Manuel Ortiz, of California.

The NBA Executive of 20 members voted to concur with the British Boxing Board of Control in the suspension of Ortiz if the BBBC suspends him on the pending inquest of the London promoter, Mr. Jack Solomons.

Mr. Solomons claims that Ortiz disregarded an agreement for a world title bout in London with the British Champion, Danny O'Sullivan.

Ortiz is on his way by sea to South Africa, where he is due to meet Vic Towell, the British Empire Champion, in a world title fight on May 20.

Commissioner Abe Greene said the Committee also asked the British Board not to recognise the proposed bout between Honor Pratesi, of France, and Terry Allen, of England, for the World Flyweight title until Dado Marino, of Hawaii, the American challenger, has a chance at the title.

Mr. Greene added that if this was not feasible the NBA would recognise the bout if the winner were required to meet Marino within six months for the crown.

The Championship fell vacant with the retirement of the titleholder, Rinty Monaghan, of Northern Ireland.

The only other actions taken in the first session of the two-day meeting were:

The NBA adopted the recommendation of the European Boxing Union that all boxers be similarly cleared for appearances in the United States.

The Committee recommended the experimental use of a 90-second interval between rounds, as employed experimentally in the States of Michigan, Rhode Island and Florida.

In London, meanwhile, a proposal which, if adopted, may have a far-reaching effect on boxing is to be put to the Congress of the International Amateur Boxing Association (AIBA) at Copenhagen in June.

The Association's Executive Committee is to propose, following a motion submitted by Ireland, that the existing eight divisions in amateur boxing should be increased to 10. The two new weight and light-middleweight, which of course would entail a reorganisation of the existing weights.

The idea behind the move is to protect young boxers from the dangers involved when conceding excessive weight and to deter the all-too prevalent practice of boxers drastically shedding weight to qualify for a division from which they have outgrown in the course of their natural development.

The suggestion, discussed at the Executive Committee's meeting in Norway last summer, is now to come before the full Congress of the International Association with a good chance of being adopted.

It is understood that the British authorities are among those who favour its adoption. It may well be that if this proposal is carried, then professional boxing will follow suit, particularly as in many countries amateur and professional boxing is controlled by the same body.

In Britain, the gap between the two sports until now has been a wide one, but only last week it was reported that the Amateur Boxing Association had approached the British Boxing Board of Control with a view to a liaison between the two bodies.

There is, however, no question of joint control. The suggestion is that there should be a working arrangement between them providing for an exchange of news, information and items of mutual interest.

In Johannesburg, Reg Haswell, secretary and matchmaker of the White City Sporting Club, said tonight that action was to be taken to prevent interference with the scheduled World Bantamweight title fight between Manuel Ortiz, of California, the holder, and Vic Towell, the British Empire Champion, here on May 20.

Mr. Haswell said the club's attorney had been instructed to take immediate action to apply for an injunction restraining the London promoter, Mr. Jack Solomons, the British Boxing Board of Control and Mr. Abe Greene, Chairman of the National Boxing Association of the United States, from interfering with the holding of the fight.—Reuter.

A third Londoner, Albert Dick, of Croydon, challenges Finch, of the Midlands, for the British Middleweight Championship at Nottingham on Monday.

Finch failed narrowly in his previous bid last June, but he is confident of reversing the decision. Turpin, when in the mood, is capable of brilliant boxing and may master the more aggressive Finch.—Reuter.

Red Wings
win crown

Detroit, April 23.

The Detroit Red Wings won the world's hockey championship tonight by beating the New York Rangers 4 to 3 on Pete Babando's goal in a history-making double overtime.

Both teams were near collapse when Babando knocked in a short from George Gae to bring the season's championship. Wings' second game victory.

The climax was one of the most thrilling in hockey history and was the first seven-game finale that was ever forced to go into overtime.

Babando, acquired from Boston in a trade at the beginning of the season, coupled his winning shot with a second period goal to lead the Red Wings to the title.

RAIN POSTPONES NET TOURNAY

A heavy downpour today forced postponement of matches in the Italian Football Federation's family tournament in Rome.—Associated Press.

CUBAN PROTEST

George Dandridge, the British representative of Black Pits,